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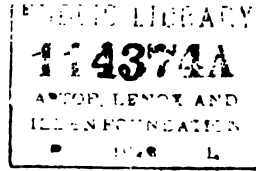
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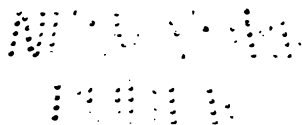
No. 1.

To Our Readers.

At the last General Convention of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity, held in the city of Lynchburg, Virginia, on the 22nd and 23rd days of June, 1885, the members of that body determined to supply a long-felt demand by issuing a Quarterly Magazine under the auspices, and in the interests of the Fraternity. To this end the undersigned were chosen to assume editorial management; yet being young and to a great extent inexperienced in the journalistic field we hesitated to assume the difficult task; but recognizing the necessity for such an organ and the great good which would inevitably result to the Fraternity from its successful establishment, we have undertaken this *labor of love*, trusting that we shall receive the support and encouragement of all who are interested in our Kappa Sigma order.

Time was when the Greek Letter Fraternities were either allowed a *passive* existence in our Universities and Colleges or entirely forbidden, and held in superstitious awe; now they are encouraged and fostered as potent instruments of great good. Scarcely a College, and no Universities in our land, is without its Fraternities; brotherhoods are thus organized, fraternal feelings are fostered, generous rivalries are stimulated, and all are made to feel the beneficial results of Fraternity association.

In the prosecution of this enterprise it shall be our constant aim to place before our widely scattered readers such matter as shall not only prove interesting to students but *valuable* to all who have the welfare of our great order at heart.



The Kappa Sigma, since its American organization, has enrolled many hundreds of members, many of them now occupying high positions in life and widely scattered throughout the world. We shall endeavor from time to time to give biographic sketches of the more prominent and "personals" of the members at large. Our Chapter letters will prove interesting to all, especially to the alumni, and will awaken the brightest memories of earlier days. We are of course dependent to a great extent upon the active co-operation of the Fraternity at large, believing that it will be cheerfully accorded us, and that our efforts to make the Quarterly an organ worthy of our noble order, we send forth our first number with a kindly greeting to all.

Fraternally,

F. H. TERRY,
R. TAYLOR GLEAVES,
R. T. BROWNRIGG.

Faculties vs. Fraternities.

We wrote to one of the chapters, at a prominent southern college for a chapter letter and the following is an extract from the reply:

"Our chapter is *sub rosa* and we could not risk giving you the details for publication lest the faculty should see it and then consequences would follow which might prove disastrous to us. We have done every thing we could in order to break down the anti-fraternity law but in vain. This being the case we do not feel under any obligation to obey the law, unfounded as it is on right or justice.—— has long been one of the most prosperous chapters of Kappa Sigma. A large number of the graduates turned out have been of our brotherhood and our men all stand high in college, yet in the face of these facts we are still watched and harrassed.

The faculty has charged from time to time until now

the majority of them are fraternity men; they look with jealous eyes on our successes and, we think, have determined to crush us. Hence we cannot see that it is right for us to yield. But of course we cannot allow our workings to be made public."

This comes from an institution that calls itself a "seat of learning" and in opposition to an organization that *publishes its constitution*, and has for its object the social, moral and intellectual advancement of its members. Surely the lights of the present day are too strong to tolerate such absurd objections and a faculty that will not investigate fraternities and find out which should live and which should die had better be consigned to obscurity, and replaced by strong clear headed men who appreciate the great aid fraternities, when properly fostered, give them in the management of students.

Attention!

With this the first member of the Quarterly all subscriptions become due, and we hope our subscribers will respond promptly.

The journal is run by us purely in the interest of, and for the benefit of our Fraternity and any money that may remain in our hands, after the expenses incident to publication, have been paid, will be turned over to the Worthy Grand Treasurer to be used by him as the Supreme Executive Committee shall dictate. So the longer our subscription list, the more money the Fraternity will have and the more good it can accomplish. Go to work brothers and send in subscriptions until we shall cry—"hold enough."

L. K. G.

In this number will be found a charming little story—"Am I living or am I dead"—by L. K. G.

Should this article fall into the hands of children many will recognize in the initials their friend who in 1879, edited the "Childs Delight," (Baltimore Md.) But with mature years have come maturer thoughts and L. K. G. now delights her adult readers as much as she formerly did her childish ones.

An Apology.

We must ask some indulgence from our readers for this our first number, our time has been limited and the correspondence we have had to undertake is in itself a great labor. Colleges from which we expected letters have been closed for vacation, members from whom we expected contributions have lately changed their places of abode, chapters at a great distance have been slow to understand our wants and have prolonged the correspondence until we are forced to issue without their letters; and altogether, editors and correspondents, have been like raw recruits needing a little time and patience to thoroughly discipline.

Our clippings, chapter letters and personals are very incomplete but we hope by next issue to have our machinery in such working order that we can grind out a journal which will do credit to the fraternity.

Hon. Jefferson Davis.

We call especial attention to the sketch in this number of our Worthy Brother, the Hon. Jefferson Davis, who notwithstanding his age, position and the many vicissitudes through which he has passed still takes a lively interest in in the Fraternity.

We had hoped to secure the matter for this article from Mr. Davis' own hand, but owing to physical weakness he was unable to send it; but we were so fortunate as to secure for his biographer that accomplished writer Mrs. Prof. Newell of Baltimore, who tho' encumbered with

many social and domestic duties, still finds time to write her graceful articles that appear from time to time in magazines throughout the country.

Instructions.

For the benefit of our chapters who have failed to respond to our appeal for chapter letters, we repeat the instructions formerly sent out. Have your chapter elect a correspondent to the Kappa Sigma Quarterly, and instruct him to furnish us periodically a letter for publication.

We will issue about the first of the months October, January, April and July: and all letters and communications for publication should be sent in at least fifteen (15) days before these periods.

We want, in each letter, a sketch of the chapter up to the time of writing, new members initiated, relative standing of the chapter with reference to chapters of other fraternities in the same institution, honors taken by members at last commencement (if not previously mentioned), numerical strength of chapter, &c., &c.

We also want from the chapters and members at large, personal notices of alumni members who may be near, notices of marriages or deaths of brothers, short sketches, news items, verses and articles on any subjects pertaining to fraternities.

The columns of the Quarterly are open to all Kappa Sigmas of good standing, and we hope all brothers who are interested in our great work will aid us by contributing articles of interest to the journal.

Personals.

Dr. Arthur C. Heffuger, U. S. N., Portsmouth, N. H. writes to the "Quarterly":

"The need of such a periodical to further the interests

of the Fraternity has long been felt, and I sincerely hope the undertaking may be successful.

Brother H. is a prominent surgeon in the Navy, and we feel encouraged by his kind wishes.

Mr. J. L. Ludwig of 47 Hamilton St., Poughkeepsie, N. Y. has our thanks for securing a number of subscribers. Brother L. is a worker that the Fraternity should be proud of. He is heart and soul a Kappa Sigma, and never neglects an opportunity of forwarding her interests.

Mathew J. Fardy, University Club, New York City, writes us an encouraging letter. We appreciate it brother.

We have the promise of a communication from F. N. Barksdale, 252 S. 17th, St., Philadelphia. Arguing from the reputation of Bro. B. the article will be interesting and instructive to Kappa Sigmas.

Dr. H. J. Coffroth, one of Baltimore's (205 W. Biddle St.) prominent physicians, prophesies "that great good will come of the Quarterly". We hope, with the assistance of many Kappa Sigmas, to make his prophecy come true.

The many college and university friends of H. M. Smith Jr., Richmond, Va., will be glad to hear of his legal successes. A prominent Court of Appeals Judge has pronounced him "a coming man."

Mr. Judson Evans of Statesvill, N. C., was married on 13th October to Miss Jinnie Lee Burch of Lynchburg, Va. Mr. Evans is a successful hardware merchant in Statesvill and is a Kappa Sigma "good and true."

Brother W. G. McAdoo, attorney at law, Chattanooga, Tenn., has our thanks for a load of good wishes, ballasted with orders for six copies of the Quarterly for members of

"Beta Secundus." This is support of the right character, and we appreciate it accordingly.

Subscribe to the Quarterly—only \$1.50 per annum.

Brother Ed. L. Sutton, publisher of the "Dahlonga Signal, Dahlongah, Ga., gives us some valuable suggestions about the Quarterly, and adds: "We hail with delight your circular in regard to the Quarterly. You can put down ten (10) copies to my address for Rho Chap., N. G. A. College. We will have more men in the Fall, and will supplement the order." Good for Rho!

Lyon G. Tyler, a young man favorably known here, is a candidate for the democratic nomination to the House of Delegates from Richmond. We wish he may be successful.

The above was clipped from the *Charlottesville Chronicle* and will show that brother T. is following in the footsteps of his honored father ex-president Tyler of Virginia. Lyon G. Tyler is the author of a Kappa Sigma poem which we hope soon to give to our readers.

Blair Burwell, C. E., formerly of Richmond, Virginia, has been elected chief engineer of the Jacksonville and Atlantic Railway, with headquarters in Jacksonville, Fla. Success to you Brother and may you discharge your new duties as successfully as you have always done your Kappa Sigma obligations.

Brother A. L. Bondurant of Farmville, Virginia, has been elected Professor of Ancient Languages in Round Rock College, Round Rock, Texas. A deserved honor to an accomplished scholar.

Mr. E. R. Williams of Hamilton, Texas, one of the Lone Star cattle kings, writes: "If the Quarterly should at any time need strengthening notify me and I will send in some

fat cattle to bolster it." Thanks, Brother, you almost tempt us to cry, bankrupt!

We wish some of the Louisiana Kappa Sigmas would write to Edward B. Fort, Bayou Sara, La. He says there are no Kappa Sigmas near him. Brother when the new catalogue comes out, examine it; you will find yourself surrounded by "angels in disguise."

Brother W. B. Lockhart, attorney at law, Galveston, Texas, writes: "I still take great interest in the Fraternity and its doings and hope the Quarterly will be a great success. We are in need of something of the kind to renew and strengthen the bonds of brotherhood that should always exist between us."

Wm. B. Trescot.

The brothers of Omega Chapter were greatly grieved at the sad news of the death of brother Wm. B. Trescot, one of her esteemed alumni, who died at his home in Washington, D. C., March, 1885; he was the son of the Hon. W. H. Trescot, a member of the Diplomatic Corps. Brother Trescot, by his kind heart and genial manners, won not only the trust and esteem of his brothers in Kappa Sigma, but the friendship of all who knew him. This is the first loss which the ranks of Omega have ever sustained by the Fell Destroyer, and hard indeed, is it for us, who saw him so pre-eminent in all manly sports, to realize that he will never again render happy, by his companionship, those who loved him so well.

OMEGA.

Dr. N. E. Richmond.

Died at his home—Rose Hill, Lee county, Virginia—on the 27th June, 1885, our Worthy Brother, Dr. Nathaniel Ewing Richmond.

Dr. Richmond was born, September 24th, 1863, was educated at Mountain View High School in Lee county. Graduated in medicine at the Maryland University, March 17th, 1884. He then returned to his home and by his wisdom and skill soon built up a practice second to no physician in the county.

Dr. Richmond was taken sick with typhoid pneumonia and after twenty-one days suffering passed peacefully across the river of death. He was of weak constitution and believed from the first that he could not survive his illness but "sustained and soothed by an unfaltering trust" he awaited the end of his earthly labors.

On the 8th August, 1883, Dr. Richmond married Miss Minnie E. Monson of Cumberland Gap, Tennessee, and there was born to them two little boys. To these and their widowed mother all Kappa Sigma's extend their fraternal sympathy, believing that the God who notes the fall of a sparrow will give to the one that peace "that passeth understanding" and to the others a father's protecting hand in their tender years.

Ah! Hush the cry on those baby lips!
 Ah! Soothe the woe in that widowed heart!
 Since He who has called him to his rest
 Has willed that loved ones then should part!
 So young to die! Ah yes, I know he was,
 So young, so loved, so needed in his home!
 A home, where could we mortals judge,
 The fell destroyer ne'er should come!
 And yet The Gard'ner wand'ring midst His own
 Culls not always the rosebuds for his bow'r;
 But though its loss be sadly felt
 Selects the fairest, brightest flow'r!

Extract of Minutes.

(Extract of the Minutes of the Sixth American Conclave of Kappa Sigma, held at Lynchburg, Virginia, June 22nd and 23, 1885.)

The convention was opened in due form in Pythian

Hall, by the W. G. M., Wm. H. Inglesby. In the absence of W. I. Thomas, W. G. M. C. and E. A. Snowden, W. G. S. Brothers J. M. Hart of Upsilon and R. T. Brownrigg of Omega were appointed to fill their respective offices.

The following eleven chapters were represented by active members, viz:

Zeta,	Kappa,	Omikron,
Nu,	Lambda,	Tau,
Upsilon,	Phi,	Xi.
Omega,	Delta,	

Five more were represented by Alumni members and the remainder by proxy.

The report of the Supreme Executive Committee, and the edicts issued since the last convention were read and called forth, considerable comment and criticism of the manner in which various chapters acted in regard to the same.

A resolution was unanimously passed censuring the action of any chapter in not responding to edict No. 2. Upsilon Chapter stated through her delegates, that she had held herself in readiness to comply with the above edict, but was advised by the proper officers that it was best to withhold their subscriptions for the time being. The report of the W. G. T. was referred to the finance committee (Ludwig, Bondurant and Brownrigg.) S. A. Jackson was appointed to open bids for fraternity jewelry (previously advertised for.) By motion it was made the duty of the incoming W. G. T., to collect all back dues of the order.

Afternoon session June 22nd, was open by the address of welcome delivered by brother Wm. Minor Lile of Lynchburg, Virginia, which was replied to by brother E. W. Hughes in behalf of the visiting brothers. The Finance Committee reported that they had examined the books of brother E. W. Hughes, W. G. T. and found them in excellent condition and perfectly correct. The committee also recommended that chapters be required to remit the capitation tax within one week after the reorgan-

ization of the chapter and that grand dues be sent in within two weeks after the date of initiation. The report was received and the recommendation adopted. Brother Jackson as committee on jewelry reported Mr. H. Silverthorn of Lynchburg, Virginia, as the lowest bidder and advised his appointment. Upon motion H. Silverthorn was appointed jeweler to the Kappa Sigma Fraternity, and it was ordered that all chapters be instructed to purchase their badges and jewels from him.

Upon motion of brother J. A. Clark, seconded by brother J. L. Ludwig, the charter of Nu Chapter, was withdrawn, brother Clark giving good and sufficient reasons.

A journal committee was appointed consisting of brother Ludwig, Bondurant and Brownrigg. Brother S. A. Jackson, chairman of the Catalogue Committee, rendered his report; a vote of thanks was tendered brother Jackson for his unlagging zeal in preparing a new catalogue. Brother E. L. Lutton, S. A. Jackson and the incoming W. G. T., were appointed as a new Catalogue Committee. Moved by brother Hughes that the expenses of the convention be paid from the general fund.

Night session, June 22nd, was opened in due form by W. G. M., Inglesby.

Brother Ludwig, chairman of the Journal Committee, offered the following resolutions, viz :

Resolved, First. "That the interest of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity demand the publication of a journal; that being the surest and best means of maintaining those fraternal ties which should exist between the many members of our organization.

Second. That the Journal shall be issued quarterly. That the name shall be "The Kappa Sigma Quarterly," and that the subscription shall not exceed one dollar and fifty cents per annum.

Third. That brothers F. H. Terry, R. Taylor Gleaves and R. T. Brownrigg be appointed editors, and that they shall issue an appeal to all true and lawful Kappa Sigmas

to assist them in the prosecution and maintainance of this important work."

The resolutions were discussd at some length and passed without amendment by a unanimous vote. A vote of thanks was tendered to brother Lile for his welcome address and to brother Johnson for his efforts in behalf of the convention. Under the head of elections.

Brother S. A. JACKSON was elected.....W. G. M.
 " W. H. INGLESBY was elected.....W. G. P.
 " E. W. HUGHES was elected.....W. G. M. C.
 " J. I. HURT was elected.....W. G. T.
 " E. A. SNOWDEN was elected.....W. G. S.

Kappa Sigma poems by brothers A. H. Marks and S. A. Jackson were read.

Morning session, June 23rd, was opened in due form by W. G. M., Inglesby.

Chattanooga was selected as the place for the next convention, to be held between March and July, 1887, exact date to be fixed by Supreme Executive Committee.

A charter was granted to Gamma graduate Chapter with power of initiation and to draw members from Jonesville College; and it was moved and carried, that they be advised to confine themselves as closely as possible to men going to colleges where we desired to establish or already have chapters.

Moved and carried that it be the sentiment of this convention that we heartily approve of the actions of the past Supreme executive Committee and commend their efforts in behalf of the Fraternity.

Brothers, Inglesby, J. I. Hurt and J. S. Ludwig were appointed a committee on publication of new catalogue and instructed to issue as soon as possible.

No further business being before the house the Sixth American Conclave was formally adjourned.

Signed,

R. T. BROWNRIGG,
Acting W. G. S.

Address of Welcome.

Delivered before the Convention at Lynchburg, Virginia, June 22, 1886, by William Minor Lile, of Lynchburg.

Worthy Grand Master, and Brethren of the Convention:

The pleasant duty of tendering you, as a body, a formal welcome, upon this the occasion of your first Convention in Lynchburg, has been assigned to me. I owe the honor of the commission to the fact of my residence here, and not to my zeal as a Kappa Sigma, nor to my proficiency in public speaking; for to my shame be it said, I have been as conspicuous for my ignorance of the tenets and mysteries of the one, as for my inaptitude and disinclination for the other. Conscious of this, I accepted the trust on the express condition that nothing elaborate or ambitious, or even appropriate, was to be expected.

You will, therefore, understand and properly attribute the character of my remarks.

Proceeding, then, to discharge that duty, as the representative of Lynchburg I bid you heartily welcome; and prompted by my own feelings as an individual, and as one of the mystic circle, I hail you as brethren, and beg you, as such, in plain Saxon phrase, to make yourselves at home. This, I may hope, you will find no difficult undertaking; for though it may be a rough and uphill road to our geographical centre, I trust the entrance to our hearts will be found "as smooth as summer seas."

You will pardon me if I startle you by assuming that Lynchburg has attractions, and if I further assume the role of a cicerone, and point some of them out to you, that you may the more readily enter into the spirit of my injunction to consider the freedom of the city as yours and yourselves as at home.

And firstly, We manufacture some tobacco here. If your nostrils have not already convinced you of this fact, a close ocular scrutiny will discover it. We manufacture some chewing tobacco, and then some smoking tobacco; besides this, we deal in leaf—tobacco; and bright—tobac-

co; and dark—tobacco; and good—tobacco; but no bad—tobacco. And lastly under this head, when you are in search of Lynchburg's greatest good and chief glory, whether you inquire of the capitalist or the beggar, the apostle of culture or the urchin of the gutters, the reply will always be—Tobacco, sir!—Terbacker!

I may mention too, in passing, other attractions which youths of a thirsty and investigating turn of mind would discover for themselves,—a policeman or two, to look after the boys at night, when they have strayed from their mothers, and seek to drown sorrow in—soda water, (as boys will), and grow hilarious at the thought of finding their ma's in the morning. As I said, I merely mentioned this in passing, and not that I supposed a Kappa Sigma ever thirsted for aught but knowledge, or became hilarious over anything except the prosperity of his Chapter, or the awkwardness of an initiate,—called, by courtesy, I believe,—a goat.

Then we have a street-car line;—a great convenience when the cars run, (and they do run nearly every day). Though the tenor of its way is not an even one,—though it leads an up-and-down existence,—it never loses temper, nor rails at fortune. Though constantly run over and trodden upon by people who ought to know better, it forgetteth not the ties of humanity, however deep the iron enters its soul;—but with a meek and lowly spirit characteristic of corporations, it saith "Go to now,—deposit thy leaden nickles with the little girl who sells flowers at the charity ball; give us honest pennies or verily we perish." Mindful of the value of human life, as estimated by Lynchburg juries,—a care shared equally by horses and drivers,—as rapid as is its locomotion, our citizens are rarely massacred at the crossings.

Again,—we have, in a recent acquisition, a curiosity which I daresay none of you ever saw except in pictorial histories,—“a rare bird and very like a black swan”,—a real, live, Democratic postmaster;—now on exhibition at the corner of Main and Tenth,—admission free, *children* and visiting delegates, half-price.

And last and best, as well in my enumeration as in the order of their bestowal by heaven, amid the vile odors to which I have referred, and upon these apparently barren cliffs,—incongruous as it may seem,—like good out of Nazareth,—there grow the fairest flowers in nature's garden—handsome, honest, women;—in their eyes, the light of heaven,—upon their lips, the “summer calm of golden charity”,—and in their hearts,—ah, who can tell!

Brethren, I hope your stay among us may be pleasant; and, aside from the good of the order, that we may each profit from this meeting together. It would be a source of infinite gratification to me, as I am sure it would be to you, to know that in after days, when our steps have grown heavy and our heads are silvered with age, dim eyes will be turned not unlovingly,—as the Greek of old, *dulces moriens reminiscitur Argos*,—upon the convention of 1885, in Lynchburg, and old hearts confess that it was

A G—d T—g, M—t A—ly.

I sincerely trust that this convention may prove of lasting good to the fraternity; that we may here give it new life to bear abundant harvests, whose sheaves will glisten in the sunlight of far-off summers.

But while striving to extend its jurisdiction and influence and to wall it about against the open outside enemy, let us look to insidious dangers from within; let us learn not only to inculcate, but to practice its moral precepts, not forgetting that

“It is mad idolatry

To make the service greater than the god.”

May peace and harmony prevail throughout the ranks; each of us, in the language of Lord Bacon, “contending not like the bramble, which can wound deepest, but like the vine and the olive, which bears best fruit.”

Accept the assurance of my hearty sympathy with you in your attempts to lighten the sorrows and sooth the rugged way of raw youth, thrown for the first time upon his own resources and the cold charity of a college-green. Taken into the arms of the foster-mother, ever open to

the worthy, and at a time when the arms of a real mother stretch for him in vein, it can no longer be said of him that

"Where he lives, and how he fares,
Nobody knows, and nobody cares."

And I bid that college-fraternity which does its duty toward such, under whatever title, a hearty god-speed, howsoever college faculties may storm, or persecution raise its horrid front.

Then a long and vigorous life to Kappa Sigma! May its crescent never wane, nor its star set! Or if it goes down, may it be as

"Sinks the day-star to his ocean bed,
And yet anon repairs his drooping head,
And tricks his beams, and with new-spangled ore
Flames in the forehead of the morning sky."

Gentlemen, again I bid you welcome.

A Card.

ROANOKE, VA., *October 1st, 1885.*

To all True and Lawful Kappa Sigmas.

BRETHREN:

As Chairman of the "Catalogue Committee," appointed at the Lynchburg Conclave, I deem it my duty to make a report to you of the work done.

I accepted the chairmanship of that committee thinking we had enough available money to issue the catalogue forthwith, and so promised the delegates that they should have their catalogues before they received the "Quarterly." I regret to say my supposition was wrong and my promise for good reasons stands unfulfilled.

We went to work after the convention, got the manuscript ready to go to the printer, secured bids, (one of which was very advantageous) and were on the point of awarding the contract when the lack of necessary funds called a halt.

The catalogue fund has some sixty-one dollars to its

credit in the hands of Bro. E. W. Hughes, Past W. G. T., but this is not, by any means, enough to cover the expense of publication.

We find to our surprise and regret that many of the Chapters have not forwarded their catalogue dues. This is the root of the trouble, and the reason the catalogue is not now in your hands is to be attributed to no other fact than the apparently inexcusable neglect of the Active Chapters to respond to the call of the Supreme Executive Committee as set forth in Edict 2.

We therefore earnestly request delinquent Chapters to forward their catalogue dues at once, and without delay, to Bro. J. I. Hurt, W. G. T., P. O. Address, Hampden Sidney College, Virginia.

We would also ask any Alumni members who wish a copy of the catalogue or are willing to help us, to send their names and Post Office address, with two dollars, to Bro. Hurt.

In conclusion I would say that unless the brethren in Kappa Sigma respond to this appeal so that we can go to press on or before January 1st, 1886, I will be obliged to resign the chairmanship of your committee.

Faternally,

WM. H. INGLESBY, W. G. P.
Chairman Catalogue Committee.

Sketch of the Hon. Jefferson Davis,

BY MRS. PROF. NEWELL.

The oft-quoted sentence, "Every man is his own best biographer," finds no better exemplification than in the record of Mr. Davis. His long and varied experiences upon the arena of political life have exhibited every phase of his character; his candid and fearless utterances upon all questions of moment have left no opinion unrevealed; his actions have afforded an unvarnished commentary upon his theories.

Mr. Emerson tells us that "when Nature sends a new soul into the world she fills it before hand with a desire for that which she wishes it to know and do." This desire manifests itself at an early age in the childish fore-shadowing of future capabilities. Nelson, sailing a miniature vessel on a pond, predicated the victories of the Nile and Trafalgar. The boy Napoleon, delighting in mimic artillery and snow battles, was indicative of the martial achievements of the great Emperor. Faraday's experiments with a bottle for an electric machine gave promise of his subsequent prowess in the field of science. The boy, who, amid Kentucky's quiet glades, found his chief delight in conning military tactics and diplomatic lore was the natural precursor of the Mexican hero and the American statesman.

Mr. Davis has been the subject of so many articles that the addition of even one more seems a superfluity. So many pens in the hands of "ready writers" have valiantly repudiated every stigma that has sought to attach itself to his name that any farther vindication seems a work of supererogation. His career as a statesman and his administration as President have been reviewed and criticised to such an unreasonable extent that we feel tempted to beseech for him the charity of silence—nothing has been omitted from the long list of *pros* and *cons*. Claiming, then, the leniency of our readers should this article prove "tedious as a twice-told tale," we introduce once more the revered politician and the honored leader of a "Lost Cause."

Mr. Davis was born in Christian county, Kentucky, on the 2nd of June, 1808. He graduated creditably at West Point in 1828, and entered the United States Army in 1831. He served heroically in the Black Hawk and other Indian wars until 1835, when he resigned his commission and returned to Mississippi, where he married the daughter of Gen. Taylor, afterwards President of the United States. Cotton-growing and domestic pursuits engaged his attention until 1843, when the excitement and fascina-

tions of politics allured him, and, a Democrat of pronounced type, he took a prominent part in the election of Mr. Polk to the Presidency. Mr. Davis was elected to Congress in 1845, where he spoke with no uncertain meaning on the questions which were then agitating the public mind. "The Tariff;" the "Oregon Question;" Preparations for the Mexican War." Upon the breaking out of this war he resigned his seat in Congress and was elected Colonel of the Mississippi Volunteers and promptly joined General Taylor on the Rio Grande. He, with his command, bore no ignoble part in the storming of Monterey; in the battle of Buena Vista "they fought like brave men, long and well," and to their valor is attributed the salvation of the American army. At the close of the war he was offered, by Gen. Polk, the rank of brigadier-general of volunteers, but declined it. In 1847 he was appointed to fill a vacancy in the United States Senate, and in 1851 was re-elected to that office. At that time the "Compromise" measures of the preceding year were the absorbing topics of interest and discussion. It had been decided to hold a convention of representatives from the Southern States to consider the best means for preserving their Constitutional rights and safety. No measures beyond the holding of this convention had been projected, and the statement that there were schemes on hand at that time to destroy the Union was, Mr. Davis asserted, utterly groundless. The idea of Secession, then, was entertained by few and avowed by none; though there were many who maintained that the principles of the Declaration of Independence and the purposes for which the Union was formed were of greater importance than the Union itself. Mr. Davis had long regarded the separation of the States as a great but not the greatest evil. His fidelity to the Union was unquestionable—often and publicly he had declared it; his record, civil and military, was in proof of that devotion. Believing that the signs of the times threatened danger to the South, he encouraged his state to send representatives to the Southern Convention, arguing that, if a settlement was deferred, "the last opportunity for a peaceful solution

would be lost, and the issue would have to be settled by blood."

About this time, (1851) the Governor of Mississippi, John A. Quitman, had been impeached on the charge of complicity in the expeditions against Cuba; these charges were not sustained, and many of the Democratic party—Mr. Davis among the number—advocated his re-nomination for the office of governor. The committee deemed it inexpedient to make this nomination, and a proposition was made to nominate Mr. Davis for the governorship and to appoint Gen. Quitman to the place in the Senate made vacant by Mr. D's removal. Mr. Davis agreed to abide by Gen. Quitman's decision; and upon Gen. Quitman's unwillingness to make the exchange, he (Mr. D.) asquiesced and engaged vigorously in the canvass. The democratic majority in the State had been considered certain, but a primary election disclosed the opposite state of affairs. Interpreting this as an omen of defeat, Gen. Quitman prudently withdrew from the candidacy, and six weeks before the election the Executive Committee prevailed upon Mr. Davis to enter the contest; he was defeated by a very small majority; and Cincinnatus like, withdrew from the arena of public turmoil to the calm pleasures of rural life, from which he was summoned to a place in the cabinet of Mr. Pierce, who had been elected in November, 1852. A combination of reasons induced Mr. Davis to decline this position, a declension, which upon re-consideration, was followed by acceptance. While Secretary of War, he was conspicuous for his advocacy of various public measures—the construction of a railroad to connect the valley of the Mississippi with the Pacific coast; the extension of the Capitol by the erection of a new Senate Chamber and Hall of Representatives; important changes in the style of arms and in ammunition, &c.

At the expiration of Mr. Pierce's term, (March, 1857,) Mr. Davis again took his seat in the United States Senate. The organization of the State of Kansas was the first question of moment that came up for discussion after his

return to the Senate. The celebrated Kansas-Nebraska Bill had become a law in 1854, the "true intent and meaning of which," it was claimed, "was not to legislate slavery into any state or territory, nor to exclude it therefrom, but to leave the people thereof perfectly free to form and regulate their domestic institutions in their own way, subject only to the Constitution of the United States." It was asserted that this freedom was infringed upon, and Kansas became the seat of an internecine struggle, of which the tragic episode of "John Brown's Raid" was one of the lamentable fruits. This strife in Kansas and the agitation of the territorial question continued throughout Mr. Buchanan's administration, and finally terminated in the severance of the Union.

After the result of the presidential election in 1850, was known, the government of Mississippi convoked the Senators and Representatives of his state to advise with them concerning the nature of the message he should send to the Legislature. Mr. Davis, on this occasion, agreed with many of his associates as to the *right* of a state to secede, but differed from most of them about the probability of its being permitted to exercise this right peaceably. He foreseeing that secession would inevitably lead to war, was reluctant in advocating that measure, and in the Mississippi State Convention, declared himself "opposed to secession so long as any hope of a peaceable remedy remained." This "slowness" incurred the censure of many members of the Convention and of the general public. He expressed himself as willing to abide by the action of his State and to exert himself to carry out any policy she might adopt. His positions and feelings at that time have been so grossly misrepresented that it may not be amiss to quote his own evidence in explanation thereof. "It is not only untrue, but absurd, to attribute to me motives of personal ambition to be gratified by a dismemberment of the Union. Much of my life had been spent in the civil and military service of the United States. Whatever reputation I had acquired was identified with their history; and if future preferment had been the object, it would

have led me to cling to the Union so long as a shred of it remained. If any, judging after the event, should assume that I was allured by the high office subsequently bestowed upon me by the people of the Confederate States, the answer to any such conclusion has been made by others, to whom it was well known, before the Confederacy was formed that I had no desire to be its president. Further more, I then held the office of United States Senator from Mississippi, one which I preferred to all others. So far from wishing to change it for any other, I had specially requested my friends not to permit my name to be used before the Convention for any nomination whatever. I had been so near the office for four years, while in the Cabinet of Mr. Pierce, that I saw it from behind the scenes and it was to me an office in no wise desirable.

Worn by incessant fatigue, debarred by public opinion, prejudice or tradition, from future employment, the wisest and best who have filled the office have retired to private life, to remember rather the failure of their hopes than the success of their efforts." It is authoritatively stated by Hon. C. C. Clay (Alabama,) and others that Mr. Davis requested the delegation from Mississippi not to permit the use of his name before the Convention. The office of president, so far from being solicited by him, was literally thrust upon him.

Mississippi was the second state to secede; she was speedily followed by several others, and a congress of the seceding states was appointed to be held in Montgomery, Alabama, early in February. Mr. Davis retained his seat in the United States Senate until he received *official* information of the secession of his State. Prior to his resignation, he explained before the Senate the position of Mississippi. We extract the following: "It is known to Senators who have served with me here that I have for years advocated the right of a state to secede from the Union. Therefore, if I had not believed there was justifiable cause, if I had thought that Mississippi was acting without sufficient provocation, I should still, under my

theory of the Government, because of my allegiance to the state of which I am citizen, have been bound by her action. I however, may be permitted to say that I think she has justifiable cause, and I approve of her act. I conferred with her people before that act was taken, counseled them then that, if the state of things which they apprehended should exist when their convention met, they should take the action which they have now adopted.

I well remember an occasion when Massachusetts was arraigned before the bar of the Senate, and when the doctrine of coercion was ripe and to be applied against her, because of the rescue of a fugitive slave in Boston. Not in a spirit of egotism, but to show that I am not influenced in my opinion because the case is my own, I refer to that time and that occasion as containing the opinion which I then entertained and on which my present conduct is based. I then said that, if Massachusetts, following her purpose through a stated line of conduct, chose to take the last step and separate herself from the Union, it is her right to go, and I will neither vote one dollar nor one man to force her back."

(To be Continued.)

Chapter Letters.

OMEGA CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH, *Sewanee Tenn.*

Omega was established by brothers S. A. Jackson and A. M. Chichester, both of Zeta, and in November, 1882, was formally chartered by the University; there preceded us chapters of the Alpha Tau Omega and Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternities, both of which had been established several years before our advent. We first opened with a membership of thirteen, which number was not increased during that year. At the close of the year, we met with severe loss, and in March, 1883, only seven of the charter members returned; nothing daunted, however, we set

earnestly to work and in spite of severe opposition, our roll numbered thirteen at the close of the scholastic year in December.

At the opening of the University in March, 1884, only six of the old members returned, but with seven initiations and the addition of brother R. W. Glenn of Phi chapter we closed the year with brilliant prospects for the ensuing term. And these were verified by the return of ten brothers, and up to the present date we have initiated six men, thus giving us a total membership of sixteen for the present year.

In 1883, chapters of the Phi Delta Theta and Delta Tau Delta fraternities were chartered by the University, and in 1884, Kappa Alpha (S. O.) made her appearance.

Ever since the founding of our chapter, we have clung closely to the principal which we first adopted, namely: That it is best to have a small chapter-roll, because by this means, we can be much more select in our choice of members, and at the same time, our men are more closely bound to each other, thus avoiding the chasm into which so many have fallen, namely: That of allowing mere acquaintanceship to take the place of those ties of friendship and brotherly love which should always bind together the members of the same fraternity. In our selection of members, "university honors" and "class standing," have always been considered secondary matters, and we have always striven to obtain those men who would be congenial to us and to each other. and who were worthy to bear the name of Kappa Sigma. Four months after the founding of the chapter, a suitable chapter-house was purchased, and well furnished at that time; since then, by means of donations from alumni members and by our own efforts, additions have been made to the interior, and now it is such, that we are justly proud of it. The house itself is a frame building, but as we are well able to afford it, an elegant stone one which will be an honor to the chapter, will soon take its place.

Although we have been singularly unfortunate in the

loss of so many good men, our prospects are much brighter than they have ever been before, and though we contend against five other fraternities, we are well able to hold our own.

W. B. THOMPSON, JR.

SEWANEE, *September 26th, 1885.*

CHI CHAPTER.

PERDUE UNIVERSITY, *Indiana.*

It would give me much pleasure to write for this the first issue of the Kappa Sigma Quarterly quite a lengthy letter as to the doings, progress and prospects of Chi Chapter but the many duties of a college student must stand as my apology for a few brief statements.

As you know we have to run *sub rosa* and of course "lay low" as regards the faculty, but notwithstanding this fact we have, I think, a very creditable chapter roll, viz:

A. RUFFNER,	J. S. BOYD,
M. S. BRIGHT,	— MIDDLETON,
JOHN FORESMAN,	O. U. MUTZ,
W. T. THAYER, JR.	

So we can sing with the little girl that "we are seven" but am happy to state we can improve on her count by saying: *None of us* "in the church yard lie."

The faculty meet this evening, (September 21st,) and it is understood among the students that they will take action on the Anti-Fraternity law and it is thought they will abolish (as they should) all laws against fraternities, so I hope in our next letter to tell you that Chi has bloomed out into a full and perfect rose, shadowed by no bush, and blocked by no obstacles. All of the brothers join me in good wishes for the success of the Quarterly and hopes that it will flourish like the organization that gave it birth.

Yours in Kappa Sigma,

W. T. THAYER, JR.

Correspondent.

UPSILON CHAPTER.

HAMPDEN SIDNEY COLLEGE, *Virginia*.

The number of members present at the opening of Hampden Sidney College were six. After the arrival of some old members and the initiation of five, we, at present, number twelve. We initiated Messrs. Jas. R. Walker, W. L. McCaa, E. A. Thomas and E. P. McGavock, all of Wytheville, Virginia, and Griffin W. Bull of Norfolk Virginia. In getting these young men, will just state that we gained a grand and glorious triumph over several other fraternities. Some of these young men had been asked by other fraternities before joining us.

Although opposition has been strong, although this chapter has had to struggle hard to maintain its existence, yet this opposition has been beneficial to us, because in the attempt to put an end to the Kappa Sigma fraternity they have placed into our hands weapons by a right and proper wielding of which we have established a chapter here which takes a position equal to, if not superior to any of the more ancient fraternities in our institution. For the Kappa Sigma fraternity has only existed here three or four years, yet work has been done in this short period of which we are truly proud and is an honor to the cause of Kappa Sigma.

So far the Beta Theta Pi's have received two new members; Phi Kappa Psi, one; Phi Gamma Delta, one; Chi Phi, one; Sigma Chi, none; and Kappa Sigma, five. Without participating in any self-praise, we will simply say that the chapter is in a very flourishing condition indeed, and is moving along in a manner *highly satisfactory* to all of us. Thus far this session the feeling between the different fraternities, we are glad to say, is of a very friendly nature. Hope it will continue thus throughout the entire session. We have not been inactive since the initiation of the above-mentioned brothers, and hope soon *and very soon*, by our energetic efforts, to give you a more

encouraging account of the workings of the Upsilon Chapter.

I assume very reluctantly the duties of quill-driver for our fraternity, feeling deeply my inability, but as the task has been assigned to me, will try to perform these duties to the best of my knowledge and ability. My brother Kappa Sigmas join me heartily in wishing you, Editors of the Quarterly, God's-speed in your noble endeavors to advance the cause which we all so zealously espouse.

Fraternally yours,

J. L. ALLISON,

Correspondent.

OMICRON CHAPTER.

EMORY, VIRGINIA, *September 19th, 1885.*

It becomes my duty, in behalf of Omicron, to write a chapter letter, though no duty could be more pleasant or more willingly performed. I venture to write this letter although I have been initiated into the Greek world only a short time and have had no experience in such matters. The chapter here is not an active one, it being against the rules of the college to conduct any secret fraternity at the place. But though we are thus crippled as far as taking in new men is concerned, we all feel an active, lively interest in Kappa Sigma, and are always willing to lend a helping hand when we can do so.

In regard to your request for us to send you in some articles on fraternity subjects. I will say that all our members have been so busy, since the reception of your letter, preparing for a debate to be held in the leading literary society of the college, that we cannot get you up anything for the first issue, but will promise to elect a regular correspondent to the Quarterly who will be faithful in making contributions to our fraternity paper. I would willingly send in something this time, were it not impossible inasmuch as I am compelled to do some of the

same kind of work for the "Calliopean Clarion", and cannot possibly find time.

There are only six of us here now, but we expect at least two more to return. Our members are, beyond a doubt, among the first boys at the college, whether you regard them socially, morally or intellectually. At last commencement diplomas were conferred on three Kappa Sigmas. Out of the four medals given by the Calliopean Society, three went to Kappa Sigma. This year the Senior Editor of our leading college paper is a Kappa Sigma, as well as the president of the leading society. At the intermediate debate to be held Saturday night, September 26th, four out of the six debaters will be Kappa Sigmas, and the final orator will be a Kappa Sigma also. Every Kappa Sigma at the college now holds an important office in the literary society. From these facts an idea of the standing of Omicron's members may be obtained. We only wish that our college was open to fraternities. And we hope that in the near future the anti-fraternity law here may be abolished. We are anxious to see the Quarterly. Success to it is the earnest desire of

OMICRON.

Per a member.

KAPPA CHAPTER.

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Kappa chapter was first organized at Vanderbilt University during the years 1877-8, but on account of opposition from the University Faculty the chapter ceased operation soon after its organization and was not revived until the session of 1883-4, when brothers Aston and Horton revived it with seven members. The next session all of the old members left, the nearest one being in business in the city (Nashville.) And the duty of upholding Kappa devolved upon two new arrivals, brothers Ayers and Dunlop of Omicon and Phi chapters respectfully. But they were

equal to the emergency and at once planned a campaign that should raise Kappa to its former high position, but owing to the many difficulties they had to contend with it was the middle of February, 1885, before the Kappa Sigma boom set in; but set in it did and at the end of the session Kappa chapter was composed of the following members, viz:

W. S. AYERS,	THOMAS ALLEN,
R. O. BLACKKEY,	C. D. CARPENTER,
J. A. CRAGWALL,	H. M. DUNLOP,
G. D. HICKS,	CLAIBOME HORTON,
JNO. T. KERCHEVAL,	J. W. MIMNES,
E. L. SHARP,	J. F. SUGGS.

Besides there are in town (Nashville,) Mora Sharp who is a thrifty and successful Insurance Agent; J. C. Moore who is one of Nashville's prominent citizens; Prof. Frank Goodman who is justly celebrated as having the best business college in the South, James Vaugan a prominent druggist of the town and last but not least Prof. O. H. Menees, M. D., a professor in the Medical Department of the University of Nashville and Vanderbilt University, and one of the best anatomists in the State. So you see that, with reason, we are proud of our Kappa Sigma representatives in Nashville.

For this coming term at Vanderbilt our prospects are fine and we hope to swell the Kappa Sigma ranks with about twelve or fourteen staunch recruits.

Yours Fraternally,

J. A. CRAGWALL.

LATER.

Kappa has now fifteen (15) active members and splendid prospects for more.

Maxwell House,
Nashville, Tennessee.

A. H. MARKS,
Correspondent.

RHO CHAPTER.

NORTH GEORGIA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.DAHLONEGA, GA., *September 18th, 1885,*

Editors Kappa Sigma Quarterly :

I did not receive your request for a chapter letter until yesterday and consequently can only give you a brief sketch.

During the fall session of 1884 a petition signed by ten (10) cadets of the North Georgia Agricultural College was forwarded to the Supreme Executive Committee of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity, asking the establishment of a chapter of that splendid order. After considerable delay (caused as we afterwards learned, by inquiring into the standing of the ten signers) the petition was granted and I was sent to Lynchburg, Virginia, to be initiated. At that place I was met by W. H. Inglesby and S. A. Jackson of the Supreme Executive Committee and Jno. L. Humes of Delta chapter and February 11th, 1885, I was duly initiated and authorized and instructed to establish Rho chapter. Returning to Dahlonega I at once initiated the following members, viz :

C. H. RAWLINS, Rome, Georgia,
J. P. STRIBLING, Richland, South Carolina,
W. T. SOCKLEY, Atlanta, Georgia,
H. B. COBB, Ellysay, Georgia,
C. D. McRAE, Mt. Vernon Georgia,
E. C. CARTLEDGE, Dahlonega, Georgia,
J. B. MARTIN, Milna, Georgia.

Two of the original petitioners did not return to college and consequently were not initiated. Our chapter was warmly received upon its appearance; although some members of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon wanted to combine with the Sigma Nu's for the purpose of crushing us, but the Sigma Nu's declined to be a party to such a scheme and we were left in peace. The Alpha Tau Omega will *probably* appear on the scene this session and we will

have lively opposition but believing in the "survival of the fittest", we have no fears.

We did not graduate any men this year, but notwithstanding we lose several of our best members. C. H. Rawlins (color sergeant,) left college shortly after the chapter was established. He was with us during commencement but will hardly return.

J. B. Martin is at Lady Lake Florida in charge of his fathers mercantile business at that place. We give Jim up with regret, but console ourself with the fact that he will not forget his "first love."

H. B. Cobb will not return until Christmas; he was Sergeant Major last session and as first Sergeant of "B" would wear the company's drill medal

C. D. McRae, our red-headed masher will not return until next term; he is a good Kappa Sigma and will be much missed.

J. P. Stribling (sergeant major,) W. T. Shockley and E. C. Cartledge are conducting a vigorous campaign at Dahlonga in the interest of Kappa Sigma and vow they will make Rho a banner chapter. We all rejoice that the Quarterly is at last assured, for there is a work to be performed in our order that can only be done by the Journal. Let every "Kap" at once respond and our success is assured.

Fraternally Yours.

ED. L. SUTTON.

Miss Marie Wilson.

Miss Maria Wilson of Grand Rapids, Michigan, who has attained a deservedly high reputation as a dramatic reader is now in New York. She has had some very flattering offers to go on the stage and it is quite possible she will accept an 1886 engagement. Her many friends expect great things of her and as she is an admirer of our Star and Crescent, and a subscriber to the Quarterly, no one will be more pleased to learn of her success than her Kappa Sigma friends.

Alpha Beta Sketa.

(Reprint from *Sigma Nu Delta*.)

"The average male college fosters about eight esoteric organizations, with Alpha Beta Sketa entitlements. The establishment of say six more at every college will afford something like ample opportunities for all really brilliant boys to become fraternity men."

The above item, half hidden among the political notes and partisan thrusts which adorn the "heavy" page of the *Atlanta Constitution*, was hardly in the proper place to attract that attention from the Greek World which to my mind it demands. It is without doubt from the pen of some fraternity man who deplores the present state of fraternal life and character—not only in southern colleges, but in colleges all over the land. But is it not a pity that one who so readily discerns the results of a multiplicity of fraternities in our colleges, and could throw so much sarcasm in so few words, should at least attempt some solution of the problem through, perhaps, the Chi Phi Quarterly?

There are now in the United States (according to Mr. Baird,) thirty-two college secret fraternities—presuming that the Delta Tau Delta and Rainbow are one. Of these fraternities, the University of Georgia has no less than eight, Mercer has five, Oxford eight, and the College at this place only three, although it is said that a character is in existence from Alpha Tau Omega. The attendance at these colleges runs from one to two hundred—say an average of one hundred and fifty. The necessity to which these fraternities are driven at the first three colleges is self-evident—particularly when we know that some of them have chapters of twenty-five men. Is it possible that eight fraternities can find in one hundred and fifty men ample material for their existence? An average membership of ten would include over half the school. This gives the average man all the qualifications necessary to enter one of these chapters. Is the true fraternity man no *better* than the average? Should not the very badge on

his breast be a guarantee that he is socially and intellectually more than the common man of the world? If not, one-half the object of fraternities in general is lost. But when we consider further that more than two-thirds of the students in the aforesaid schools are within the pales of some would-be mystic band, does it not still lower the standard of fraternity qualifications? All that a new man needs is a new suit of clothes, and to behave a week or two when he first enters one of these institutions, to be robed with knighthood and carried into the holy of holies. It has come to pass at the University of Georgia that a student can not go into society without a fraternity pin as a recommendation. And is it true that every man who may be counted worthy of entertainment in our drawing room is worthy of Hellenic honors? Then I confess that my idea of a fraternity has been too high, and I realize with sadness my error. My belief that a badge was a token of a leader among his fellows in thought and action, is a fallacy, and henceforth I am to regard the Greek as nothing more than the common man, bound to his college chums by a meaningless oath.

But those who consider this an evil also consider the remedy. How is this wholesale and hasty initiation of men to be prevented? It would be supreme idiocy to limit the number of initiations for these chapters by law. The chapter should be untrammelled as long as good material can be had, and have discretion enough to limit its number then. We doubt that a chapter at one of these colleges would give up its charter rather than initiate men who have nothing special to recommend them, yet every brotherhood in the land declares that quality, not quantity, is their motto. The remedy can only be had by decreasing the number of fraternities. This raises a laugh of derision. What fraternity do you suppose would give up their chapter at the State University? None. The leading fraternity, the one possessing the best men and the better knowledge of what a true fraternity should be, would give up sooner than the chapter of inferior men. The low-grade chapter will not withdraw, for they see no

reason. Their sole idea of an organization of this nature is simply to meet in secret and wear a badge! They do not believe their fraternity would be better by having no chapter than by having a chapter of inferior or even ordinary men.

There remains only one remedy, and that is a consolidation. Oh for the day when there shall instead of thirty be no more than ten—some northern, some eastern, some southern, some western, some national. When the Greek world recognizes that knighthood should betoken a knight; that it is better to sacrifice a name, a badge, or a ritual, than to sacrifice the fraternity principles, and allow them to be rudely handled and virtually betrayed by coarser clay, and go to work in common for a better end—for the upholding of the fraternity standard—then, and not till then, will there be any likelihood of consolidations, or any other means by which we may be re-assured that a Greek badge covers the heart of a Greek—a high-minded and noble man.

DAHLONEGA, GA.

ED. L. SUTTON,
Rho Chapter Kappa Sigma.

A Poem.

*"Breaths there a man with soul so dead
Who never to himself hath said,
This is my own, my native land."*

Amid the crash of worlds was nature born—
Out from the infinite, where lightnings played,
And chaos reveled in its mad immensity,
Where planets whirled through realms of space
Unguided and ungoverned by the will that now
Gives each its own allotted measurement and cause,
God called her, and she came—Eternal night
Hid its black robe and threat'ning form
Within the ebon portals of its palace gates,
And the glad sunlight shed across the world
Its warmest tints of health, and joy, and peace.
God's blessed sunlight! 'neath whose glance each flower
And tree and shrub, each blade of grass that bends
Beneath the breath of Summer's gentle wind,
Grows greener, fresher, brighter, and seems offering up
Its humble praise upon the altar of its being.
Above, upon the brows of ancient night,
Emblem of knowledge hung the crescent moon;
First like a slender thread, but broadening as it grows
Until its zenith reached, it floods the world
With silver radiance. So when man first
Would penetrate the dark, mysterious gloom
That broods upon the secrets nature hoards,
A slender ray of light illumines the clue,
And bright'ning still with each succeeding step,
Sheds at the last its bright refulgent beams
Upon the page where knowledge finds its goal.
The myriad hosts of heaven their splendor lent,
Like rubies sprinkled o'er a mighty pall,
And glowing sped their circles, till the very night.
Seemed softer, kinder, gentler than the day.
But brightest of them all, the Morning Star,
Which, rising in the West when dying day
Empurples all the heavens with its blood,

Soars o'er the cloud-built battlements that bar its course,
Emblem of Hope and Love,—and on its way
Keeps steadily its track till every star
Has vanished in the early gray of dawn—
But still it gleams upon its sentry post
The first and last gem in the crown of night.
So, when the gloom is darkest, Hope and Love
Through Life's dull labyrinth point still to Heaven
And whispers to the worn and weary soul,
“Press on! Press on! The prize may still be won,
The path hath oft been trod by steps as weak as yours,
Let darkness throw its deepest shadow down,
The day *must* dawn, and bring upon its wings
The glories of an Everlasting Life.”
To us, then, brothers, who have learned to read
The lessons which they teach, to us is given
To bear within our bosoms as upon our breasts
The Crescent and the Star,—and spread the light
Until the day when the great trumpet blast
Shall call the nations and the world to stand
Before the footstool of their God and King.

The world rolls on. Ten thousand years
Have spent their cycles and scarce left a trace—
Religions, priests, and even so-called, Gods,
Kings, nations, dynasties have had their day
And been forgotten—crumbled into dust,
Their crowns and monumental cerements,
And not a stone even left to mark the spot
Or tell that they have been. O'er palace walls
The rank grass waves its nodding plumes,
And desert sands have swallowed up the place
Where monarchs held their regal revelry,
Calling the world to witness that *their* fame
Would stand until the restless waves of Time
No more should dash upon Eternity.
'Mid empty fanes the night wind softly sings
Its hollow dirge; lone pillars loom and stare
Like sheeted ghosts of days that once have been

And no man knows the god whose shrine was there.
Eternal Rome! The mockery of a name
No more sends her legions to the fight.
The tramp that once with terror shook the world
Now wakens scarce an echo. Never more
Shall shout of triumph rouse her seven hills
From the dead silence of her apathy
The news of nations conquered—captive kings,
And wild, barbaric hords that bow the knee to Rome.
No more, within her walls, shall conquerors
Come, laden with the spoils of enemies,
Rich with the trophies of the East and West,
And bearing on their brows the laurel crown—
The tidal wave that bursts upon the coast
Was scarce more fatal than her fiery hate.
The State which gave the world *its* laws,
And governed by the terror of *its* name,
Was like a lioness prepared to spring
And crouching o'er the carcass of her prey.
Sudden the torrent came—the Goth and Hun
Poured in the majesty of conscious power
Their rain of fire and steel upon the land,
For Alaric had come—"The scourge of God."
And Rome—old Rome was dead. The frame lies there
Without a soul to animate its dust.
The lions teeth are gone, its mane is shorn,
And no one trembles at its hollow roar.

Not by the lightning stroke does ruin come,
'Tis not the thunder's crash that makes it fall,
'Tis not a single blow that bursts its way
Into the heart's core of the citadel.
'Tis the dull, ceaseless, tireless monotone
Of dark distrust that cankers in the soul
And turns the well-spring of man's love
To bitter, biting gall. Ambitious Lust
That makes its fellows steps to mount upon,
Then kicks away the ladder. Love of Gain
That fain would sell its brother to be rich

And cries to heaven and earth, "Give! Give!!"
That takes the bread from starving orphans' mouths,
And leaves the widow houseless in the streets
That it may sit in purple. Cruel Pride,
With all the arrogance of nothingness,
Seated so high upon its airy pinnacle
That not a cry can reach its towering height.
And in their train comes Want, and haggard cheeks,
And Famine, gaunt with rags and misery,
What power can stand against a host like this?
Not camped without, but massed within itself,
Swelling with venom like a viper coiled
And not a single leash to bind its rage
Or keep it from the object of its wrath.

We have a country, Brothers, yesterday,
One hundred years ago, the throes of Time
Ushered a Nation into History
And marked an era of the world. A band
Of heroes, statesmen and philosophers,
Pledging their fortunes and their sacred honor—
The last and dearest heritage they held,
Flung back defiance in oppression's teeth
And stood in arms against a land whose sun
Never goes down. The steady flame
Of patient fervor filled each manly breast,
The lion's cub had turned to rend the hand
That dared to brandish o'er its regal crest
The servile rod. And rising in its might
Showed that it knew its strength. That day,
Bright, warm, and smiling in its summer bloom,
Shook to its center England's monarchy
And tore the richest jewel from her coronet.
To-day we stand a people of ourselves. A name
Which all the world delights in honoring—
A nation—one united—who can boast
A prouder, freer, or a lovelier land?
From the dark, rock-girt coasts that guard the North
And brave the billows of Atlantic's rage,

Foaming and dashing on the rugged cliffs
To where the gentle breeze sighs thro' the orange groves
And bears the perfume of a thousand flowers
Out o'er the bosom of the Southern gulf.
We all are one. The scars of civil strife
Have cicatrized and closed their deadly wounds.
The graves are green wherein our heroes sleep,
And Hate lies fettered in that dungeon depth
Whence it should ne'er have escaped. A brother's hand
Should ne'er be raised against a brother's life
In fratricidal war. Let demagogues
Who fan the embers of a nation's hate
To serve their selfish ends, go, fight themselves,
The world would well be rid of them and theirs.
But honest men who seek their country's good
Will ne'er consent to carve their way to power
Through the best heart's blood in a people's veins.
Far from me be the thought to depreciate
The cause for which we fought. No matter when,
Or where I hear it spoken of, my native land,
The grand old South, still claims my loyalty,
And like a bugle's blast the memories
Of all the glorious struggles that it made
For independence, stirs my inmost soul,
And wakes the battle fires of all my ancestry.
A thousand battles lost and won can make
No change of right. The stronger arm
Too oft outweighs the balance Justice holds
And makes her kick the beam. No argument
Can bring conclusion from such barren cause,
Or make the acts of brutal tyranny
Less hateful in the searching light of Truth.
Not all the eloquence that ever fell
In glowing sentences from orator,
Can gloss the usage as such tripple sin,
Or make it seem less foul. The principles
Embodied in men's hearts can never die.
'Twere sacrilege to say that such a page,
Illuminated with the blood of men

Who fought for what they thought was right, is not
As glorious as the records of a victory.
Then since the cypress o'er our dead must waive
Where'er they fell, from grim Manassas' heath
To Appomattox, let us twine the palm
And lay our wreaths upon the narrow mounds
Where sleep our best and bravest, friend and foe,
All peaceful in their slumbers. Gentle hands
Shall strew their tribute o'er each soldier's grave
Unmindful if, within, the warrior wore
The blue or gray. No more shall watchfires light
Virginia's hills and valleys with their glare,
Or trooping down the glens shall Stonewall come,
Leading his mountain men, the old brigade.
The cannon's roar is hushed, the bursting shell
Has done its errand and is heard no more,
Save where some veteran who has marched with Lee,
Or struggled up the heights of Gettysburg,
Shall tell his children round his peaceful hearth,
Of how some comrade fell beneath its stroke,
And how he 'scaped. The rifle's deadly crack
No longer scares the watchful sentinel,
And death has ceased to wanton in the charge
Of maddened, reckless bravery. The steel
That flashed on many a field is hid away
And rusts within its scabbard. Valiant men
Can ne'er be traitors. Such within their hearts
Can never hate the foe who met them well
And barely gave them blow for blow, until
They sank beneath an overpowering force.
We bear no malice 'gainst the men we fought.
We fought—were conquered—when that's said, 'tis all
That can be said—so let our passions rest
Among the trenches with our noble dead.
True hands! true hearts! they sleep their last long sleep,
And slumber gently in the kind earth's breast
No more to waken to the din of war,
Or hear at morn the bugle's reveille.
They sleep, but leave their glorious record free

From stain or blot, their escutcheon stands so fair
’Twere worth a world to join their muster roll.

But *we* have a duty, also, to be done,
We young men of the South. The contest wrote
Its lesson with a hand that trembled not,
Or dealt in characters effaceable.
To hope, to live, to wait, to work till time
And patient industry shall raise our land
Out from her slough of hapless misery,
And place her on the pedestal of old
Which she so proudly ornamented. Now
The future lies with us, and as we live
So will she prosper. As we stand or fall
So will she blossom in luxuriance
Or wallow in the depths of wretchedness.
Old men must die. As generations pass
So fade the memories of ancient prejudice,
And the old stock that bore but jealousies,
Engrafted with a newer, healthier blood,
Shall once again uplift its towering head
And stand erect, the proudest of its race.
Then, brothers, in this first Centennial year
Let us go forward with an earnest mind
To do our utmost for our country’s good,
Confiding in the thought that if we err,
’Tis not the heart that’s faulty, but the mind,
So that at last, when kindly mother Earth
Shall shroud our faults and foibles in the grave,
Men shall speak well of each of us and say,
“He died a Christian gentleman and patriot.”

These lines are respectfully dedicated to the Kappa Sigma Fraternity, with the warmest sense of their unworthiness, but with the calm consciousness of having been the products of the author’s best efforts—consoling himself that “*Poeta nascitur non fit*,” by

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Am I Living or Am I Dead?

BY L. K. G.

"Good night! Good night, my dearest! God bless and keep you till we meet again!" he whispered. "To-night my sweetheart, to-morrow my wife," he continued in a lowered tone, pressing a fervent kiss upon the quivering lips, the blushing cheeks, and the blue-veined forehead with its clustering baby ringlets. She did not return his caresses, but received them with a sweet resignation that spoke volumes for the happiness it afforded her to be so dearly loved. And as Malcom Trevers went with lagging foot-steps to his boyhood's home, Leila Kenna sat alone in the moonlight, dreaming of all that had been and all that was still to be. Tenderly she thought of the heroic boy-lover with the blue stripes upon his soft, aristocratic hands that had been dealt as penance by his Grand Dame and his Sire for continuing to play with the illiterate peasant's only child, but though they had many a time brought the blood to the surface they had gone to their graves without bringing the love from his heart for pretty dove-eyed Leila. In boyhood he had deprived himself of pin-money in order that she might be properly taught by the village sage, devoting to her so much of his time that she cared not for the companionship of less well born playmates, and in manhood he had taught her what he, himself, was taught, with chapters of love for every one of knowledge, and thus pretty Leila's heart had expanded with her growth, and its every chink and corner been filled with Malcom's image. With the simplicity of childhood she had thought this giving of heart for heart a fair exchange, but in maidenhood she became aware of the broad chasm over which her lover would be forced to leap in order to claim her as his very own, but her glimpse into the unfathomable depths had aroused not one whit of distrustfulness, only caused her to lean more firmly upon his honest love and love him the more dearly for all that he *was willing to renounce* in her behalf. Aye, on the mor-

row he would relinquish his great fortune, his family and his friends, and henceforth through his own honest toil support himself and one whom he held just twice as dear. A happy smile flitted across Leila Kenna's parted lips at thought of all the blissful to-morrows the new day would herald for them both, but like a sudden darkening of the silvery moon came the croaking voice of her solitary parent, bidding her cease thinking of the love that had still to be tried, and try to show a little more appreciation of one who had stood her in good stead all the days of her life. If there was a vexatious cloud upon Leila's brow only the pixies and the fairies saw it for it had vanished ere she entered the rickety kitchen, and seating herself upon the carefully-placed kitchen stool rested her curly head upon the old man's grimy shoulder, with as much show of filial affection as she could muster for the occasion, actuated by the promptings of duty, inasmuch as the morrow's marriage was to part her as effectually from her one common relative as it was Malcom Trevers from all the gentry of the land. Education and the culture that had sprung from frequent intercourse with Malcom had completely unfitted poor Leila for companionship with the dirty, illiterate, old man, and for many a year he had proved a thorn in the flesh, but never more so than upon her wedding eve. Fresh from the scenes that ideality had painted his filth was more than usually obnoxious, and the smell of liquor upon his breath, and the liveliness it had wrought upon his mood caused a barely suppressed shudder, still did she not dream of the impending woe, that like the sword of Damacles, hung suspended by a single hair above her innocent head.

"Dearie," he gurgled, "your mammy did you a good turn when she guv you her bonny face and sunny curls, though she did desart you by pining away just case the handsome lad, as her fine folks cut up the divil about, grew commoner and more drinkified as the years advanced, but if your daddy is filthy and the biggest vagabond going, he is tricky as well, and 'as sarved the loveliest gal 'as ever lived, the best *turn* that a father ever sarved a darter.

Look 'ee here, dearie, if it had not been for me yer fine young lover would no more have thought of marrying of thee than the thick lipped nigger as does his chores, but fooled you out and out and left you on my hands to pine away as yer mammy did, only wuss." Pretty Leila had tried to appear as though heeding the maudlin trash without heeding it at all, but when the drunken old sot touched upon her lover and herself, her starting eyes, her throbbing pulses, her palpitating heart drank in greedily, every word, and poisonous seed fell from liquor-poisoned lips, and taking firm root by its rapid growth, bore bitter fruit for many, but the bitterest of all for the tender, girlish heart whose readiness of belief proved its greatest bane. With spent breath she listened to the old man's almost unintelligible narration of how he had only induced Malcom Trevers to propose marriage through the discovery of a secret that, divulged, would have sent him straight to the gallows, and from there to hell, concluding by saying: "Now, dearie, your old daddy has only told you this on the eve of parting, so that in case this fine young gentleman tries to shun you off, as the likes of him is apt to do when they gits tired of a gal a bit, you can let your old daddy know, and I'll screw him up to the pint agin, for I tells you he showed the white feather right off when he found out what it was I knowed." Leila Kenna should have remembered that there are two sides to every story, and she should also have taken into consideration Malcom's unceasing devotion as boy and man, but she thought not of the one or the other, only that she was to be made a burden to the man to whom she had expected to be a comfort and a joy and the thought crazed her, and thus crazed she acted upon an impulse that bid fair to work her ruin. Kneeling beside her little cot, perfectly heart-broken, she prayed to God to end her trouble by taking her to Himself, and upon this prayer not being answered, her thoughts descended to earth, and whilst so descending, her eyes fell upon the walks and turrets of Lovelace Castle, which had inspired her awe since years of recollection. *She felt that she must hide her face from all men,*

and especially from the one she so dearly loved, and where, thought she, could this hiding be so effectual as in the old castle which could not fail to be in ruins from long disuse, though concerning this last she could not speak with any certainty, since to her knowledge, neither man nor beast had entered the grounds for more than half a century. Its owner had fled in a panic from the approaching enemy, the key to the solitary, massive gate been lost with them and since the walls were themselves impregnable no effort had been made to scale them, strange rumors being afloat of spiritual inmates that in that age of strange beliefs caused the stoutest hearts to quake. And yet Leila Kenna had discovered that in one spot, at least, the seemingly impenetrable wall was not as impenetrable as supposed, since on the principle that constant dripping will wear away a stone, the constant gurgling of a small brook against the south-west portion of the lower wall had loosened the mortar from around the rocks, causing them to fall to the ground, thus leaving an excavation of sufficient size to permit the entrance of a human being. Leila had but very recently made this discovery and transmitted it to Malcom with great rejoicing, since in childhood the curiosity of both had been aroused, and now that years of maturity had robbed their minds of all superstitious dread, she anticipated having a willing advocate in her half formed plan of together ferretting out the mystery of Lovelace Castle. However the sudden pallor that mantled cheek and brow at the divulgence of her scheme caused her own cheeks to grow rosy red at the discovery of his cowardice, though naturally submissive she gave a ready consent to his almost unintelligible request, "O, Leila, my love, my darling. Promise, O, promise me that so long as you are mine you will never make use of this most unfortunate discovery." And she had promised without once asking the why or the wherefore, considering the promise an irrevocable one, inasmuch as she could not picture a time when she would no longer belong to Malcom. However, now that she was no longer his there remained no promise to be kept and *Leila Kenna* came to the rashly romantic

determination of repairing to the forsaken old castle to waste away and die, thus freeing her lover from the burden that her poor old father had almost succeeded in fastening upon him. That the secret was the knowledge of which placed the young man so completely in the power of the elder, Leila sought not to divine, thinking of it only as further proof that Malcom did not love her as dearly as she had taught herself to believe, else he would have permitted her to share his secret. Bareheaded and with nought to protect her thinly clad shoulders from the chilly dews of night, Leila Kenna descended the rickety staircase and had entered the castle grounds ere she had realized the purport of her entry. The night was so very still that the echo of her own foot-fall caused her to believe her father in pursuit, and heedless of brambles and their scratches she dashed through the over-grown hedges at a head-long pace, until her strength giving out she fell prone upon her face in an attempt to ascend a sloping bank. For how many hours she lay there she knew not, but when she at last attempted to rise there was a terrible pain in her side and a still greater in her ankle, and stand *she could not!*

And for three days and three nights she lay there in hunger, in pain and most terribly athirst, and during all that time the village bells kept up a continual tolling, and blind instinct told her that thus it was that poor Malcom was summoning men and women from far and near to help him in his search for his missing bride. And when she thought of the great heartache she had caused him she gave herself up to weeping, shedding two tears for him for every one for herself. O, what a blind, blind fool she had been, she thought, to believe aught against her noble sweetheart. When too late she regretted that she had not remembered the source and laughed the cruel words to scorn. Perhaps already her degenerate father had forgotten the coinage of his intoxicated mind and was as much at a loss as others to fathom her sudden flight. "Toll on! Toll on, ye bells!" she cried in desperation. "I am not *dead, but soon will be!* But no," she continued, her

imagination taking sudden fire at the thought of her lover some day coming to believe that she had proved false and suffering as she had done. "I will not die with Malcom and happiness so near! At all odds I must manage to reach the top of this knoll and stand erect when there if but for a single instant, with the hope that some passer-by may see and seeing fathom what I am and what is my distress."

Painfully, wearily she crawled on, and though the flesh was weak the spirit fainted not, and in time she reached the coveted gaol. She had crawled there for Malcom's sake, but nearer help than Malcom did she find. At the very summit of this grassy knoll she beheld a beautiful fountain, the cool spray of which fell upon her parched lips and fevered brow, refreshing her more than anything else could have done. With returning strength she raised herself into a sitting posture, and lo! a sight greeted her vision that caused hope to revive, for through the jets of spray that had become rose-colored through reflection of the setting sun she caught a faint glimpse of the loveliest female she had ever beheld, and hopeless of otherwise arousing her, since her parched throat refused to utter the faintest sound, poor Leila Kenna made still further effort, and wearily and with pain approached the sleeping girl. A vague chilliness crept through her frame as she perceived the lifeliness and pallor of the partially veiled face; and alas, when she stretched forth both trembling hands to arouse the object of her desire a shriek of terror rent the air, for it was colder than a corpse (being marble). Unconsciously she had struck some spring that moved some pivot from her concealed, and the beautiful marble figure rolled down, down, ever down until dashed in atoms against the castle walls. Terribly athirst she wasted no time in thought of damage done, but endeavored to occupy the position the figure had occupied in order to drink from the marble basin; but alas, just when the gaol was reached, she swooned away, with strength quite spent.

She awoke with a strange feeling of uneasiness at her heart—a *stranger one of questioning* in her eyes, for Mal-

com, yet not Malcom as she had seen him last, was gazing at her as with the rapt gaze of futurity. He offered her fruit and pleasant drinks, speaking in riddles all the while, and when she noted that his hair was snow white, not of the raven hue as it had been, she thought she understood at last, and winding her arms around her lover's neck she exclaimed, "O, Malcom! My Malcom! I did not understand just at first. I thought I had but fainted from great pain, but I must have died long years ago, since your hair, that was so black, is now so white; but the good God has not awakened me till my lover too were dead in order that we together might enter the Garden of Eden. How true my mother's words have proved she taught me that while the mysteries were bound to remain mysteries to all mortals, we could safely count upon His giving us all we wanted in the end! Ah! My Malcom! My darling, I only wanted you, and now you are truly mine! Tell me, my love, that it is, and speaks no more in riddles that my happiness may be complete!"

"What riddles?" he answered in a strange whisper.

"All that you say, my love!"

"All, no not all my Phenie," he responded, "Ah! I fear there was something lacking in the sculpturing of the head, but with the hope of through my gifted tongue supplying that which my gifted hand has failed to accomplish. I will tell you all that you ought to remember and much which for my art's sake I have withheld, and learned through your speaking countenance how much of the mind is missing in order that I may correct the error in my last and most beautiful figure. Phenie," he continued, clasping her hands into a vice-like grasp and gazing into the poor girl's startled orbs with eyes that blazed like fire.

"Phenie when I was born, both the God of the sculptor and the Arch-Angel Gabriel presided at the birth, and whilst the former endowed me with the gift of using the chisel with more deftness than any sculptor had ever used it before, the latter willed that I should have the power of infusing a soul into every perfect image. The *manner of carrying out the mission of my life, came to me*

in dreams; since every marble image required a mortal's soul, then in order for an image to live, a mortal must die, but I was carefully instructed to destroy only those mortals whose deformity of mind or body made them obnoxious in the sight of their fellowmen, thus bringing about the redemption of the world, in that it would, in time, become the earthly Eden God intended it should be. The fulfillment of my most holy mission became the inspiration of my life; but lo! when my sculptured image was complete I was fettered by the laws of man in that without the divulgence of my scheme they would never permit me to live after the taking of a human life, and should I confess the purport of my act they might be insane enough to deem me mad. But the world is large and its inhabitants numerous and I travelled far and near, ever endeavoring to cunningly accomplish my object. Often did I long to take my mother into my secret and persuade her to sacrifice herself to my art, but in that she was good, beautiful and perfectly formed, she did not come under the category of the mortals I was permitted to kill. However God helps those who help themselves, and ere long I fell in with you, dear Phenie, an orphan and a cripple who drank in my words of love as does a babe its mother's milk. How loving, how submissive you were, how eagerly you consented to my every plan! Ah! I see by your shudder you begin to remember now! How beautiful your face, though crippled your form, as you knelt at the feet of your bridegroom's perfect master-piece! Ah! yes you were lovable and loving, and thus rendered the hand that held the dagger most unsteady, and my aim not straight as it should have been. You lived just long enough to assure me of your forgiveness and bid me fly for fear some one might enter, in answer to your first terrific scream. I knew, though you did not that there was nothing to forgive, since I had but infused the same soul into a perfect and non-suffering form. At least I thought I had, but it seems the non-accomplishment of instant death has delayed the great fulfillment for many years. Ah! Phenie whilst you slept that sleep of seeming death the officers of

the law hunted me down and would have taken life for life but for that mother love which has saved many a son before. Through her instrumentality I was conveyed to this place, given everything I could desire, save freedom, even the master-piece at whose feet my bride had died. Carefully I placed it where the not too heating setting sun might warm it into, and the refreshing fountain spray might assist, returning life. Day after day have I watched, never varying in faith and to-day have I been vouchsafed my reward since the marble image has vanished and a living, well-formed woman appeared in its place. But alas! all is not yet accomplished since it remains for me to carry conviction to the minds of men, before the desired freedom can be obtained. Hist! Phenie, this evening the man who is bound to serve me since borne in my image, young Malcom Trevers, my trustworthy nephew will come here as usual to learn my every wish; then must thou advance to meet him, my Phenie, corroborate all the facts I shall relate, and gain my freedom at his hands."

Leila Kenna gave a ready assent to the madman's request, for her heart leaped to her throat for joy at thus early being eased from such dreadful companionship. However her relief was but of short duration. On waking she had asked herself "am I living or am I dead," and now she began to think that the life that had become so precious in her sight would be forfeited at the maniac's hands. In her fright she had forgotten pain, but no sooner had her terror subsided than she plead eloquently with that other Malcom to make some attempt to ease the aching limb. At the simple request his eye blazed again with the fire of his mania.

"Phenie! Phenie! he groaned as though the suffering were as much his as her own. "Phenie, my gentle, loving bride! It is hard, hard, but die again thou must. My chisel must have slipped and wrought some imperfection in the ankle of the model that I deemed a perfect master-piece. Look not thus terrified, my child, remember as *before the pain will be slight, the awakening most glori-*

ous! Here gaze at thy image in these watery depths. See how improved thou art to what thou wast before, and resign thyself to what must be ere another hour's course is run."

In vain poor Leila plead for very life. In vain she told her story, and how she had happened there. The madman only glared the more declaring that the head must have been much more imperfect than he had imagined for memory to be so completely flown. "Come, come Phenie," he shouted in a thundering tone. "No more of this child's play. I promise to take too steady aim for pain to be of long duration. In five seconds you will live again more perfect e'en than now, so what avails these tears, these shudderings, when your Malcom and his art require the sacrifice."

Seeing that the poor girl shrank from him more and more he took her bodily in his arms and bore her quickly to the feet of a marble figure that stood in a niche of the massive gate. Believing her last hour had come, Leila Kenna cast her eyes heavenward and upon so doing received an idea with which she hoped to defeat the maniac's craze.

"Malcom," she whispered faintly, "at the feet of thy masterpiece I am inspired with thy darling love for art. Memory returns, I know myself to be thy loving Phenie and long to die still once again to prove the perfect truth of thy most glorious words. But take heed, be warned in time and do not ruin all by over haste! Remember that the last fond kiss of the setting sun was necessary to warm your other statue into life, and now he has gone to rest and there is no sun-light nor heat of any kind. You say your trustworthy nephew comes here each eve to learn your every want. Should he discover blood upon the ground, a dead woman at thy statue's base might he not account you thrice a madman and pass you over to justice for the committal of a second murder?"

"True, true, my love! Wise word with wisdom spoken. Hard, hard as it is I will wait till to-morrow's sun-set, and

in the mean while but get you to corroborate statements to this nephew."

Thus had young Malcom Trevers put in an appearance at the accustomed hour all would have been well, but he was far too intent upon finding his missing bride to give a thought to his maniac uncle, and thus the madman grew impatient and frenzied through suspense.

"Phenie," he gasped when the hour of midnight had tolled. "I must be up and doing while the fever of my mission is upon me. Stay here upon the spot from which thy aching limb will not permit thee to leave whilst I prepare to make heat as great as any the sun can proffer, and thus put aside the only obstacle that interferes with the carrying out of my great idea. I cannot bear to see thee here and suffer when within five seconds I could make you as perfect as mother Eve herself."

Pushing aside her detaining grasp he was gone ere a single word had passed her blanched lips. Quickly she divined his purpose, since plainly from where she lay could he be seen passing from room to room a great fire-brand in his hand, setting fire to every curtain and inflammable object in his reach. It seemed a heartless prayer, and yet she prayed fervently that the burning timbers would fall in and crush him ere he had taken heed to make his escape. Blind by the terrible glare, she saw not his advancing form nor dreamed of the nearness of danger till he held her in his vice-like grasp, and raising a poinard that glittered in the dazzling light exclaimed "Unbare thy bosom, child, that this keen blade may fly stright to the destined mark, and bring about thy perfection and my glory!" She neither moved nor spoke till the touch of a chill something upon her cheeks caused her to face her fate and behold she found herself in her own dear Malcom's arms. He had been the first to discover that the Castle was in flames, and true to the trust that had been entrusted to him with a dying mother's prayers had persuaded the searchers for his bride to *repair with him* in the hope of saving his uncle—and the

crackling timbers, the hissing flames had drowned their footsteps in poor Lelia's interests.

Safe, safe in her lover's arms, Lelia only sighed her contentment until a startled cry attracted her attention to what was going on about them. "Men, ye hellish or heavenly men," had shouted the madman's voice, "behold, I am he who is to bring about the redemption of the world through the infusion of souls into perfect statues! All, all have failed me and my art save he who stands before thee. Behold that marble statue with its death-like pallor and rigidity of feature and then note how, in five seconds, it will become a living, breathing mortal." And ere a single hand from the frightened spectators was stretched forth to save him, the maniac had plunged the poinard up to the hilt in his own breast, and fallen dead at the feet of his master-piece.

Leila Kenna was for a time a sadder woman from the lesson that sprung up from distrust, but the noble husband soon won her back to cheerfulness again, blaming himself rather than her, since his duplicity toward the father had brought much trouble upon herself.

It seemed that the drunken old fellow had watched Malcom in his visits to the castle, and several times caught a glimpse of the maniac sculptor. He had really believed that Malcom had no intention of marrying his child, and having seen the uncle in his younger days, and recognizing him at once, had threatened Malcom with exposure if he did not at once propose marriage to Leila, and as the young people's wedding-day had already been set without the old man's knowledge, Malcom had not seen any harm in shielding his uncle through appearing to comply with the drunkard's wishes.

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Sketch of the Hon. Jefferson Davis.

BY MRS. PROF. NEWELL.

After leaving Washington Mr. Davis proceeded to Jackson, Mississippi, where he found that the Convention of the State had made provision for a State army and had appointed him to the command with the title of Major-General. Four Brigadier-Generals had also been appointed and were awaiting Mr. Davis' arrival. Rules and regulations were drawn up, the State was divided into districts, officers appointed, and measures taken to procure arms, in which the State was almost totally deficient, as were the other Southern States.

The convention of representatives from the seceding States met on the 4th of February; their first work was to draw up a Provisional Constitution for the "Confederate States of America." On the 9th, Mr. Davis was elected President, and Mr. Stevens, of Georgia, Vice-President. While these events were transpiring, Mr. Davis had gone to his home in Warren county, and had begun, to use Mr. Clay's homely expression, "to repair his fences," when he was notified of his election. He felt troubled and disappointed at this development, and the more so as he had endeavored to guard against it. Aside from other objections, he believed that he could serve his country more effectually in the field—a conviction whose sincerity and strength is vouched for by many unimpeachable men. However, he repaired at once to Montgomery; *en route* he made short addresses at various points, expressing his

views on the political situation of the country. These addresses have been shockingly perverted and reported by untruthful and malicious persons, and have been accepted as authentic history by partizan writers.

The members of Mr. Davis' Cabinet were as follows: Robert Toombs, of Georgia, Secretary of State; S. R. Mallory, of Florida, Secretary of Navy; J. P. Benjamin, of Louisiana, Attorney-General; J. H. Reagan, of Texas, Post-Master-General; C. G. Memminger, of South Carolina, Secretary of Treasury; L. P. Walker, of Alabama, Secretary of War.

Still anxious to avoid hostilities, if possible, on the 27th of February, '61, President Davis sent a special Commissioner of the Confederate States to the Government of the United States. In addition to his official credentials, he carried a personal letter from President Davis to President Buchanan. Washington was in a state of desperate excitement, and Mr. Buchanan declined to burden the last three days of his official life with any transaction that might increase the burden of reproaches already heaped upon him. Another Commissioner, on the same mission, arrived in Washington eight days after the inauguration of Mr. Lincoln; the two Commissioners addressed a note to Mr. Seward, informing him of their object and requesting an audience. Owing to the unsettled condition of the times no answer was promptly given and nothing conciliatory resulted.

On the 29th of April Mr. Davis addressed a message to Congress in which he candidly set forth the situation of the nation and the policy of President Lincoln as understood by him. The message closed with these words: "We protest solemnly that we desire peace at any sacrifice, save that of honor. In independence we seek no conquest, no aggrandizement, no concession of any kind from the States with which we have lately been confederated. All we ask is to be let alone—that those who never held power over us shall not now attempt our subjugation by arms. This we will, we must resist to the direst extrem-

ity. The moment this is abandoned the sword will drop from our grasp, and we shall be ready to enter into treaties of amity and commerce that cannot but be mutually beneficial."

Congress assembled in Richmond on the 20th of July when Mr. Davis delivered a second message, full of earnestness and integrity of purpose. It is not within the province of this article to follow minutely Mr. Davis' war policy, neither would such a following be congenial work to the writer. It is our object to chronicle briefly only such actions as have a direct biographical bearing; to put into condensed form the prominent personal incidents of this time that "tried men's souls;" not to offer any dissertations upon a struggle, the very memory of which, let us hope, may soon belong to the "buried past." Passing, then, silently over the intervening years of carnage and heart-anguish, we come to the downfall of the Southern Confederacy, and linger for a time, retrospectively, to note the closing acts of the leader of the "Lost Cause." General Lee, it appears, had never favored a surrender—had never contemplated it. He had, more than once, in language similar to that used by General Washington, expressed the opinion that he could carry on the war for twenty years in the mountains of Virginia. When the crisis came he directed his march to Lynchburg, hoping to reach the mountains, and, with the advantage which the topography of the country would give him, to make another effort. When he found this hope impossible of realization, he telegraphed the condition of affairs to the President. This telegram was delivered to Mr. Davis on Sunday morning, 2nd of April, as he sat in St. Paul's church, in Richmond. He went immediately to his office, assembled the heads of departments and bureaus so far as they could be reached on the Sabbath. It was decided to evacuate Richmond simultaneously with General Lee's withdrawal from Petersburg. The consultation and preliminary arrangements occupied Mr. Davis until the late afternoon, when he repaired to his residence and made the brief personal prep-

arations incident to his departure. Some weeks before, he had urged the policy of sending families from Richmond and the vicinity to the South and West, and had required his own family to go; the rapidly diminishing resources of the country on which the Army of Northern Virginia relied for supplies, as well as the insecurity of Richmond, induced this policy. It is well known that Mr. Davis' family were not in Richmond at the time of its evacuation, consequently the accounts that have been circulated in this connection are utterly without foundation. An article by General James H. Wilson to the *Philadelphia Times*, headed "Jefferson Davis' Flight and Capture," gives a grossly incorrect version of the whole matter; it has been repeatedly quoted from and has greatly imposed upon many people. We extract: "Although he (Mr. Davis) could not have been entirely unprepared for this intelligence, (Lee's contemplated surrender) it appears that he did not receive it with self-possession or dignity, but with tremulous and nervous haste; like a weak man in the hour of misfortune, he left the house of worship and hurried home, where he and his more resolute wife spent the rest of the day in packing their personal baggage." It is evident that the object of this statement is to create the impression that, while the Confederacy was dissolving, its President was engaged in the ignoble and mercenary occupation of looking after his own possessions. Nothing could be further from the truth. Mr. Davis' conduct, throughout, was characterized by freedom from selfishness. Early in the war he allowed his property in Mississippi to be destroyed and carried away because the effort to prevent, would have required some interference with his official duties. It has also been asserted that, some time before General Lee's surrender, Mr. Davis, in anticipation of that event, had matured a plan for his own escape and that of his principal officers; and that orders had been given that the "Shenandoah" should be in readiness off the coast of Florida to take the fugitives abroad. This statement has been proved an arrant slander. So foreign was such a spirit to Mr. Davis that when he was informed

that General Sherman would allow him to leave the United States in a United States vessel, and carry along with him whoever and whatever he pleased, replied that he would not leave Confederate soil while there was a Confederate regiment on it. It may be mentioned that Mr. Davis was one of the Senators who refused to vote the honors of the United States Senators to Kossuth, and that his reason for not doing so was that Kossuth had abandoned Hungary and left an army behind him.

After leaving Richmond President Davis and his Cabinet proceeded to Danville, Virginia; thence, after a few days' sojourn, to Greensboro, where General Johnston had been summoned for a conference. From Greensboro to Charlotte, North Carolina, where the news of President Lincoln's assassination was received. Soon afterwards President Davis rejoined his family who were travelling Southward; his capture occurred just before dawn on the night of the 10th of May, 1865, near Irwinsville, Georgia. Various and absurd stories have been manufactured and circulated about the disguise that Mr. Davis wore on that occasion. In anticipation of the attack, he had not disrobed; when the firing began he passed rapidly from the tent, picking up as he went a water-proof cloak, while his wife thoughtfully threw a small shawl over his shoulders.

On his way to Macon, he received the proclamation of President Johnson offering a reward for his arrest as an accomplice in the assassination of President Lincoln. He was imprisoned for two years in Fortress Monroe, awaiting a trial. In the summer of '67 he was released on bail and all proceedings against him discontinued. After his release he visited Europe, and on his return took up his residence in Memphis, Tennessee, where he was for a time President of a Life Insurance Company. In 1881 he published "The Rise and Fall of the Confederate Government," a comprehensive and lucid record of all the events belonging to that time.

Mr. Davis is now living tranquilly in his own "Sunny South," surrounded by "love, obedience, troops of friends,"

and reaping, to some extent, compensation for the injustice and ignominy that he had endured. He has been relentlessly maligned by writers both North and South, yet the mighty heart of the people that he so faithfully lead, pulsates with affection and reverence and sympathy for him. If Mr. Carlyle's dictum be true, that "to understand man we must look beyond the individual man and his actions and his interests, and view him in combination with his fellows," then, we may be sure, that when time has canceled all accidental distinctions and favoritisms, Mr. Davis will be awarded the full and general commendation that is now denied him. When the dense clouds of partisanship shall have been dissipated, when the heroes who wore the "blue and the grey" shall be discussed with fairness and candor, and their verdict be rendered according to their deeds, then Mr. Davis will stand forth,

"A noble, honest man,
He that doth still and strongly good pursue;
To God, his country, and himself most true;
Whom neither force nor fawning can
Unpin or wrench from giving all their due."

The Star and Crescent.

BY LYON G. TYLER.

THE STAR.

'Twas in the days when conquering Rome
First bowed her sovereign neck at home;
And now had passed the fatal hour,
When Freedom yielded to the power
Of tyrant arms; and broken-hearted
With grief, a thankless world departed—
'Twas in the days of Empire!

Augustus ruled the Roman world,
And poets touched the sounding lyre,
And sang his praises all untold.

In Israel, God's chosen land,
Each withering evil flourished free;
The people turned from God's command—
Scribe, publican and pharisee.
Gone was now sweet liberty,
Their ancient line of royalty—
A Roman exarch ruled the land,
And all obeyed his stern command.

But in the gloom o'ershrouding all,
A promised light was soon to rise—
A light to which both great and small
Might longing turn with joyous eyes;
The Lord his people sought to save,
Took pity on them—and forgave.
Lo! in the East the wise men saw
A star of strangest aspect beaming,
And, versed in sacred lore and law,
They sought to know its wondrous meaning.
Then straight the prophecy of old
Rose to each puzzled, wondering mind—

THE STAR AND CRESCENT.

The ancient sayings that foretold
 The promised Saviour of mankind:
 "Thou Bethlehem," so ran the law,
 "Of thee not least shall history tell;
 From thee shall come a Governor
 To rule my people Israel."

Come was the time, and as they went,
 The star that seemed divinely sent
 Led straight the wise men on,
 Nor stopped till o'er a manger rude,
 Where asses chewed their humble food,
 It showed a babe new-born;
 With cries of joy they rent the air,
 And King and Lord! they hailed him there.

The star e'er since that joyous time,
 When in the Orient's genial clime
 It hailed the Savior's birth,
 Has been an emblem, that we see
 Of hope of Christianity,
 Through all the wide, wide earth.
 Faint was its light at first,
 Its flame by simple fishermen nursed;
 It flickered, waned, was almost gone,
 But still a spark burnt feebly on,
 To show the way to heaven;
 The times were changed; its lustre grew,
 And 'stead of numbering but a few,
 The Church had thousands even.
 And now the star, grown to a sun,
 Fills half a world with hope and light;
 Whole continents it shines upon,
 That once lay hid in blackest night.

THE CRESCENT.

Forever was Rome's power dead,
 Forever was her glory fled,

Barbaric tribes had seized her soil,
And all the land was in turmoil.
O'er all the land strong might was right—
 Confusion was the spectacle—
Save where fair Science showed her light,
 In Constantine's great capital.
E'en there it flamed with feeble glare:
Corruption poisoned all the air;
Black Treason stalked with shameless face,
And crime polluted every place.

'Twas now when law was passing 'way,
And e'en society was in decay,
A voice came from Arabia's sand,
Couched in the tone that gives command,
And it claimed the sceptre of empire.
A nation new of zeal and fire
Was come to seize the glimmering light
Of Science e'er it failed the sight,—
To tend it with a faithful mood,
To feed it on enduring food,
Till all the world might see once more
With clearer view than e'er before.

A camel-driver of the sands,
In vast Arabia's desert lands,
Resolved to bind the wandering bands
 Of Arabs in one;
Though humble and unknown to power
He never rested from that hour,
 Until his work was done.
He fired his people with his zeal
And taught his soldiers all to feel
 A purpose like his own.
Scorned was each labor for his sake,
And life and all were put to stake,
 To win for him a throne.
That throne was won—no might could stand
The force of that determined band.

O'er all the east the Arabs trod—
 Behold, the fiery "Sword of God!"
 Fierce Khaled, like our Jackson brave,
 Resistless as the ocean wave,
 Loud thundering on the strand;
 We see his cim'tar gleaming high,
 Clasped in his brawny hand;
 We see the lightning in his eye,
 And hear him shout the battle cry,
 And fire his warlike band.
 "Allah Achbar!" God is great!
 Then on the foeman dashes straight,
 Like an eagle on his prey,
 And through the forest of their spears,
 His headlong way he madly tears,
 As bursts their proud array!

Behold Obediah's famous form,
 Just yielding to life's beating storm,
 But stout as yet of frame;
 The laurel crowns his brow again,
 And forms, in leafy letters plain,
 Damascus' far-famed name.
 The cautious general, sure as fate
 To win his purpose soon or late,—
 Oh! ne'er can History fail to tell
 Those victories that he won so well.

But why not pause, nor try proclaim
 Those deeds that won so wide a name?
 Why tell of Amru's conquering host
 That ravaged all the Afric coast?
 Why tell of distant Spain subdued
 Or Persia's king to death pursued?
 Of distant India's sacred sod,
 First taught Mohammed's name and God?
 Suffice to say: far from its home
 The camel-driver's flag was borne;
 And, as with free and fluttering folds,

It kissed the balmy air,
And floated o'er the proud strongholds,
Men saw a CRESCENT blazing there!

STAR AND CRESCENT.

The Moslem Crescent wages war
With Christian's emblem of the star,
Still, differing in religion far,
In one thing they agree;
The grandest lesson under heaven
Is in these emblems amply given
For all eternity.
As emblems, pointing to success,
One single meaning they profess.
They tell that from beginnings rude
A purpose with true zeal pursued
Will win tho' it be late;
Let zeal and enterprise prevail
Nor fortitude and patience fail
You'll vanquish even fate.
Let hope keep knocking at the gate,
'Twill open and the way is straight.
Success with golden floating hair,
Her tresses crowned with garlands rare,
Will weave a wreath for you,
And pressing it upon your brow,
You'll feel the joys of glory now,
And triumphs reaped by few.

'Twas in the power of the Lord,
This rule to teach by simple word;
But man possessed the gift of thought,
And He left him free to work it out.
Preferring in his mighty views
The agency of man to use,
He printed on His labors there,
What all might read with proper care,
That without *Zeal* and *Constancy*,

Resolve and sweet *Consistency*,
 Fair *Patience* with her modest air,
 And *Faith*, her hands clasped tight in prayer,
 No noble work can win the prize,
 Whate'er its kind, whate'er its size!

Let Jesus' life the lesson show,
 Born in a manger rude and low,
 And humble as he was in life,
 The constant mark of hate and strife—

He sowed the seed that ripens now;
 And though on Calvary's sacred hill
 The Jews his sacred blood did spill,

'Twas victory crowned His brow!
 Let next the lives of martyrs prove
 That fear nor danger e'er should move

The man who would succeed;
 Though persecution's hands were red
 With blood the martyrs freely shed,
 And hundreds to the stake were led,
 Their death met with its meed.

Let Stephen's name be brought to mind—

He who with stones was brought to death—
 He never cast one look behind

But showed his faith with dying breath.
 Let Paul, the learned Apostle, speak—

He whom great Festus termed "the mad;"
 One path he never failed to seek,
 One end was all the end he had.

And, coming down to later times,

What wondrous tales we may not tell
 Of those who went to heathen climes,

And in the great cause nobly fell!

Go, look to India's diamond strand.

And China's rich and swarming land,

Columbia's wilds, so fierce and grand,

And there, still sticking to its ground,

The humble mission may be found.

And not in vain ! but planting there
 The seeds that civilize the air,
 Still laboring on to spread the light
 Of glorious Christianity,
 With its attendant virtues bright—
 Love, Order and Humanity.

And does the Moslem Crescent teach
 This lesson in less plainer speech ?
 Think of the millions that adore
 A camel-driver's name obscure !
 Think of that will, no risk could bend,
 That tried and reached its mighty end.
 Think of the courage of his soul,
 That fainted not e'en at the goal.
 Reflect on Khaled's fiery son,
 That willed and lo ! the thing was done.
 Obediah, too, with skill replete,
 That fought but scarcely knew defeat.
 Look where you may through all the world,
 If there the Crescent waved unfurl'd—
 Let zeal and vigor there abound,
 And victory claims a hallowed ground.

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Here in this mystic, solemn hall,
 Obedient to stern duty's call,
 The lesson speaks to one and all.
 The STAR AND CRESCENT glitter here,
 And in close union they appear.

Enrolled as soldiers in one cause,
 Our badge forbids us e'er to pause,
 As long as memory's pen shall last ;
 As long as lives the mystic past,
 Let's bind our hearts together fast,
 With strong, enduring ties ;
 Let Khaled's zeal support us all,

Let's harken to his rousing call,

As to the field he flies.

Let's bear the Crescent, as of yore,

To victory wide from shore to shore;—

Whatever man has done before

Man can do again;

The star will gleam, in all its pride,

Close by the Crescent's glittering side,

A beacon of hope o'er the angry tide

Forever to remain!

There's victory on the stiff'ning breeze;

The time has come for us to seize

Our oriflamb of war!

Let *Semper Constans!* be the cry,

Let Love be here the binding tie,

Let every member do or die

For the Crescent and the Star.

Some Thoughts on Chapter Life.

(From the Scroll of Phi Delta Theta.)

In speaking of the benefits of fraternity relationship, the greatest stress is usually made upon the social influence which they exert, and the mutual culture which they promote. These, as factors in our chapter life, are by no means to be discredited. In all that rounds the man and gives him his distinctive touches, we see these relationships gradually and effectually working.

But, I take it, to the fraternity man whose affections are deeply rooted in his order, there comes a development which may be higher and better than any mere social polish or mental drill he may receive: I mean the knowledge of affairs, the ability of knowing men, the art of making friends, the discernment by which he may do the best thing for the time and circumstances. I mean the development of the idea of personal judgment and responsibility.

The student, on entering college and cutting loose largely from home influence, is too apt to make a wanton use of license for discretion. In the sense of responsibility he is only amenable to college regulations for neglect of duty or misconduct, so that his career outside of the class-room must be controlled strictly by himself. He is very likely to regard college requirements as public duties, consequently he has no private ones to perform. He has no affairs of family or business which demand his attention. The consequent outcome of this lack of personal interest has but too often been the ruin of a man. It has doubtless happened in the experience of all college men, that students have followed allurements, have surrendered their manhood, and become debased, only because in the hiatus between study hours and recitations there was nothing to engage their personal attention—nothing to do but to kill time.

Rightly conceived, fraternity membership supplies this deficiency. No sooner does a man connect himself with a

good chapter, than a new sense of zeal and duty comes over him. He realizes that he has something very near the heart for which to strive. Something like the family relationship is revived, for he must feel that his neglect, his failures, his shame, must bring humiliation to his associates, just as his promotion and manliness bring a reward in which they share. His college life assumes a new aspect, and he finds a hundred little missions of love to perform—here a brother to assist, there one to advise, all to exhort and to encourage to the attainment of nobler ends. He finds just such a work to do, that is as indispensable to a broad nature as oxygen is to life. Not long ago, I talked with a brother, the son of a prominent lawyer in a large city, who had always been accustomed to metropolitan life. He told me of his experience at a Southern chapter—how he had assisted in fitting up a chapter hall; how his comrades, with hands unused to manual labor, with saw, and ax, and square, had placed the partitions in position; how he himself doffed his coat, and, rolling up his sleeves, helped to paper it with his own hands; how grand the meeting was when they dedicated their little home and sang the good old songs, and how, in their enthusiastic experience talks, they pledged themselves to remain true to one another and the cause they had espoused. Now, this young man, even at home, I doubt not, had not a single care in which he was exercised, or which he felt depended on himself for settlement. What a bursting of sunlight that must have been to him, when he found such a work to do, and realized that he had something to be proud of and to make proud of him, something which, in some degree, depended for success on his personal bearing and effort. To those not sharing the sentiment it must be a matter of surprise, with what carefulness, what sense of duty, and what enthusiasm the chapter work of an ardent member is performed. He finds that his new duties exactly supplement his college tasks. He has no dangerous intervals of mental voidness. He is always working and looking to some new chapter enterprise in whose performance he is to play a part. The result of all of it is, that he

acquires such a sense of personal obligation and accountability, as takes away his erratic sense of liberty resulting from the absence of parental guidance, while it gives him a commendable aim and helps to develop his powers of independent manhood.

As a chapter in a normal condition is a democracy, in which the duties of leadership come to all, no member need complain of an absence of opportunity to exercise his discretion or wield his powers. In the selection of members, for example, every member uses his independent judgment; he will soon learn to exercise his powers of observation and insight, in studying new men, and he will not long content himself with the judgment of another. He finds a work to do in arranging the finances of the chapter, and in keeping them in proper order; in providing and furnishing apartments, in decorating the chapter hall. The value of these minutiae should not be underestimated. They are just such matters as the world is every day requiring of the citizen. They are brakes which check the over-theoretical tendency of text-books.

And it matters not what may be the condition of the chapter, the necessity of individual attention and action of members is very nearly the same; if in good condition, precautions against a spirit of over-confidence or possible contingency of disruption are to be taken. If the chapter be in bad condition, of course he has all the more scope for exercising his patience, his zeal, and his utmost endeavors. In some respect, if it be the right man, he need never regret that his chapter has had reverses, for he will come out of all of them stronger and manlier. It is the jar and dangers which test the man; if he is genuine and brave, when he finds an error, he will not throw up his allegiance, but attempt to reform the evil; he will not pout because he is allotted some arduous task, but rejoice that he has some practical means of testing his worth; not sulk or despair, but add will and purpose to patience, and wait with Christian faith the reward of his services. The crisis of a chapter, if chronicled, would tell the char-

acter of the members—the unstable, bartering member, with zeal proportionate to honors received at the hands of the chapter, who is ready to desert when called on for real assistance; the indifferent man, who must be coaxed and nursed by the milk-bottle, and who is awed by the prospect of real work, and is a neutral quantity, and, therefore, a burden on the chapter; and the loyal man, whose zeal is measured by the fraternity at large, whose text is the bond, who feels, when anything is wrong, individually responsible until it is righted, whose faith, unshaken by local trouble, looks abroad and receives inspiration from the fraternity's success elsewhere. Such a man loves to talk of the old meetings and the stirring songs. How sweet the recollection that sound of song which first greeted him on his initiation! He carries forever with him the beautiful ceremony which united him to the brotherhood, and at every repetition the words of the bond grow deeper and brighter, and more tender. How it carries him back to that memorable night when a new world was unfolded to his heart!

The fraternal intercourse of the member with his brother, and their consequent dealings and relations, form interesting features which ought not to be overlooked. College life would be an unbroken desert, were there no close friendship; were there not social relations of such a nature as to enlist the worthy regard of the student. I do not mean to say that friendships would not be found if fraternities had no existence at a college, but fraternity enlarges the field and knits closer and more lasting relationships. It places brethren in sympathy with one another; and often, in our college experience, the most serious want is not the want of aid, but of sympathy. A sensitive nature, a soul that is strong, yet refined, will crave for sympathy, and no other balm is adequate. In periods of mental depression, where some misfortune or little disappointment weighs on you, when the spirits have fallen and life seems dark, there is no voice so cheering, no words so comforting, as those of a trusted brother whose life has been wedded to yours in a common cause. But only the faith-

ful know such pleasure. Such intimacy arises as indeed enables one to weep with those who weep and rejoice with those who rejoice.

To an unselfish nature, one of the highest pleasures is to be able to promote the welfare of some one, and to be a means of spreading rather than gathering blessings. A fraternity man who would secure his chapter's patronage for place, and makes it a tool for self-elevation and remains indifferent to those about him, has a faith which may well be questioned. A thousand opportunities present themselves to the man who is willing to aid his brother, and the measure with which he makes use of them and prefers his brethren by his influence, his advice, his criticism and his aid, determines the status of his usefulness.

In the further development of the judgment of this member, there arise conditions and exigencies which require the mind of a statesman in their solution. He must learn to exercise foresight, and to do what is best for existing circumstances. It was a tenet of Edmund Burke that true statesmanship did not consist in adhering to a principle and moving on to its attainment regardless of circumstances; but in selecting the highest model and principle which could be made practical with the condition of the times. In case of a dispute in a chapter between factions, it may be necessary to compromise on some middle grounds, but it is the highest grit to be able to set aside personal preferences for the good of all. I only allude to a few instances in trying to show that the affairs of chapter life and the exigencies which arise in their arrangement, afford the highest means to the member of cultivating his judgment, increasing his patience and developing his sense of personal responsibility. I only regret that a lack of time has not enabled me to arrange my thoughts in such a form as my readers deserve.

In conclusion, a young member should not consider the fraternity a rich store-house from which he is to draw but not to contribute; for, while he will receive advantages though he be not thoroughly active, yet the chief advant-

ages are those which come just as he takes advantage of his possibilities and trains himself to be dutiful, loyal and generous. Let him remember that he is either an aid or a detriment to his chapter, and so be seized with an ambition to be an honor to himself and not a source of regret to his brethren. Let him feel personally interested, responsible, and accountable, within the extent of his powers, for the every act of his chapter, and at every step new beauties will flock to his experience and new purpose will be given to his life.

A Quid.

To Kappa Sigma Chapters and Alumni whom it may Concern.

Recognizing the vital importance to the Fraternity that my duties as your general treasurer be properly discharged I earnestly appeal to you, in the name of Kappa Sigma, that you assist me in the discharge of these duties which depends in a very material degree upon your active co-operation.

I point you to Article VI, Sections I, II, III, IV, of the constitution. These laws have been neglected, they must be enforced or abolished.

Alumni whom these laws may concern and who are not near an active chapter may communicate direct to me.

In all other respects you have done well. Believing that this reminder will suffice to secure the prompt attention of all concerned.

I am faithfully yours in Kappa Sigma,

J. I. HURT, W. G. T.

HAMPDEN SIDNEY COLLEGE,
January 1st, 1885.

Correspondence.

ROUND ROCK, TEXAS, *November, 27th, 1885.*

Dear Editors:—I have duly received the QUARTERLY. On the very day I had become disheartened, fearing, that after all, the attempt would prove a failure, and wrote you that I had not received the QUARTERLY. Imagine, if you can, the joy and satisfaction the reception of my copy gave me. You have given us a journal of which all Kappa Sigmas have good reason to be proud. In the first issue you have placed the magazine in a position equal to that of most fraternity journals. It should and will be the effort of every true Kappa Sigma to support you in this noble work. This will be the heart whose throbbing will be felt throughout the entire order, combining into one harmonious whole.

I have visited Tau (U. of Texas). They have five members—fine fellows, and will have more. I can safely promise you five subscribers from them. I believe the crisis is past, and our glorious order will now go forward. It is well that she has had a crisis—the metal has been refined.

There is a subject upon which I would like to write a piece for the next QUARTERLY, it is this: A plea for Ancient Languages. This is a live subject. Let me know if it meets with your approval, and, if it does, how much space can you give me? This subject is in my line, and I feel a very great interest in it.

The time has not come yet for placing a chapter in this institution. I hope to see one here before long. Let me hear from you as soon as possible.

Your brother in Kappa Sigma,

A. L. B., Prof. Anc't Lang.,
Round Rock College.

BALTIMORE, MD., *November 25th, 1885.*

Editors of the Kappa Sigma Quarterly,

*Dear Brothers :—*The QUARTERLY has been read with great pleasure. In looking over the letters from the different chapters, I seemed to be carried back to the good old school-days, when I was an active member of Xi chapter of the V. M. I.

I hope in your next issue to find a letter from this chapter, as I have heard nothing from it since 1876.

I enclose postal-note for amount of subscription, and hope that you will meet with unbounded success in your good work.

Fraternally yours,

H. J. COFFROTH, M. D.

We are sorry we cannot accomodate brother C., but Xi has been unaccountably negligent in failing to send in her letter. We hope the above letter will awaken her to a sense of her duty.

EDITORS.

ALEXANDRIA VA., *December 2nd, 1885.*

Editors Kappa Sigma Quarterly :— In forwarding my subscription to the QUARTERLY, I wish to express the great gratification I felt on receiving so welcome a visitor, recalling, as it does, so many pleasant incidents of the times spent with some of the members of Nu whilst at college.

Am sorry to know that the charter of my chapter has been withdrawn, for though long separated from any immediate connection with the members of the fraternity, I still cherish for them many pleasant memories, and take a deep interest in everything concerning the brotherhood.

Hoping success may crown your efforts in behalf of Kappa Sigma, and believing a bright future awaits it, I am very truly,

Yours in Kappa Sigma,

J. E. JOHNSTON.

MARYLAND MILITARY AND NAVAL ACADEMY,

December, 6th 1885.

Editors of the Kappa Sigma Quarterly,

Dear Sirs:— I send you by this evening's mail a short sketch of the life and growth of our young but successful Delta Chapter. Having been elected correspondent at the last regular meeting, and as I am rapidly growing enthusiastic on the subject of Kappa Sigma, I will do all in my power here to assist the Fraternity and the Fraternity's paper.

I will canvass the subject of subscriptions at our next meeting, and will let you have the result of my efforts as soon after as possible.

Do you wish letters quarterly—or will that be too often?

There has been some discussion, among the members, as to the QUARTERLY being strictly for Kappa Sigma eyes, I held the ground that it was perfectly public, and would be thankful for any information on the subject.

Why would it not be a good idea to have each of your correspondents give a short sketch of his university and its surroundings? It would be instructive and excellent reading matter for most of us who are strangers to college life, and to those who have never been in your "Glorious South".

Well, I will "cut it short" this time but look out for the next.

Very sincerely yours in Kappa Sigma,

G. L. ABELL,

Correspondent of Delta.

GALVESTON, TEXAS, *December 2nd, 1885*

Gentlemen:—Please find enclosed postal-note for one dollar and a half, the amount of my subscription for the QUARTERLY.

I am very much pleased with the initial number. I see notices of friends there of whom I have not heard since we left college, and with the chapter letters before me, it

is but an easy flight to imagine myself back again in the old familiar haunts of college days. For the other features, I have nothing but praise.

Long may this child of the "Star and Crescent" illuminate the footsteps of all true followers through the fields of life.

Fraternally,

W. B. LOCKHART.

The True Fraternity Standard.

W. N. NASH IN THE SIGMA CHI

We have a standard of weights and measures. In the army we find a physical standard. In chivalry they had certain high and fixed standard principles by which each brave and noble knight was measured. We have, as a people, standard American ideas. In religion, we see the true Christian character; in society, the perfect gentleman, our beau ideal of a woman. As every one must have a correct idea of what perfection is before it can be reached, as by keeping an object in view we can walk directly to it, why not strive to establish and maintain a true standard among our college fraternities the land over, not by which to judge a boy when he enters, but by which to judge him as we shake hands with him as he leaves for the outer world to enter upon the active duties of life. This is a matter upon which all fraternities can harmonize and work together in developing the true character of their members the character, I mean, their members must exhibit as they pass through the world. In assisting in the preparation of a human being (the mind, heart and soul) for the duties, the obligations and the responsibilities of friend, brother, citizen, husband and father, all fraternities should be governed by much the same principles. It will appear to any one, upon reflection, that our different secret societies in our various colleges have much that is in common.

Let me ask the Greek world, is this idea a bad one? Ought not our fraternities to bear about the same relation to our collegiate educational system that our various Christian denominations do to our social system? The churches, you might say, are "as distinct as the waves, but one as the sea." They differ upon many points, but as to their grand central idea, *the salvation of mankind*, they are as united as a Macedonian phalanx. Our bannered Christian hosts, as to this grand and glorious struggle, will stand together as history tells us the allied armies of Europe have often done when fighting in a common cause. True, there is an honorable Christian rivalry between the churches, and who will say that this should be condemned? Many there are who contend that this is just as it should be, and that it is one of God's own appointed ways to work out and accomplish the salvation of the world.

And now can we not, with such examples, make of our Greek system, the nation over, a means of great good? Have we not many great purposes in common? Can we not be of much assistance to each other? Can we not, by inculcating the proper ideas, make of each fraternity a pillar to the college in which it may be established—pillars upon which the very institution itself may lean for support in the hours of adversity, and in times of danger and of peril? If this last question could be answered in the affirmative we would no longer hear of chapters fighting for life in some institutions, living a kind of skulking existence in others, and in some absolutely prohibited.

Let the fraternities all keep constantly before their members a true idea of friendship, which, of course, must not be lost sight of for a moment; not that friendship, however, that takes within its circle only their members, but that friendship that takes humanity within its folds and makes each desire to see mankind, if possible, one great brotherhood. Let our fraternities establish and maintain, by their intercourse in college life, by their general walk and conversation, by their college and fraternity literature a true standard of excellence. Then will the

educational institutions of our land send forth young men, as the years roll on, with the many virtues adorning their character like cluster roses. In their minds and hearts will be ever found shining the pure principles of charity, honor, truth, liberty and patriotism, as well as every social and moral virtue.

Many of our chapters doubtless come very near the true standard, at least their aim and aspirations are in the right direction. Let them lead on and let the others follow the principles they so beautifully illustrate. Are there not many central ideas true, noble and good, upon which all can unite? Can we not assist each other in developing, adorning and beautifying the minds and hearts of those who have confidingly placed themselves under our influence, care and guidance during the important and trying days of college life? Let fraternities have an honorable rivalry, but still, as to those principles that are to form and mould our true manhood let us stand together, and ever remain as fixed and immovable as the great Atlas itself, which,

"Though storms and tempests thunder on its brow,
And oceans break their billows at its feet,
Still stands unmoved and glorious in its height."

An Open Letter—the Family Qualifications.

KAPPA ALPHA JOURNAL.

I have been forced several times since my connection with Kappa Alpha to note the fact that in all cases enough attention is not paid to the family connections of candidates for admission into the Order, and I think that at this season a few remarks on the subject would be timely and appropriate, for our colleges will soon throw open their doors once more and the scramble for new men will again begin. In this scramble I sincerely hope our chapters will look well to the social stand of the men they bid. We

should be ever mindful of the fact that while medalists, declaimers, honor men and valedictorians are in general of great value to a chapter and a fraternity, yet if this man of brains be one that you would hesitate to entertain in your own homes, or one whose hand the alumni would not be glad to grasp in brotherly affection, let him pass, and let another fraternity boast of the honors he won under their banner, for it were better thus than to have in our midst a man whom to love were almost an impossibility, or one to meet with whom would damp an alumni's enthusiasm or cause him to lose respect for a chapter of K. A. I have in mind an alumnus of a sister fraternity, who, when in college, was an active and enthusiastic member, but who has now almost publicly denounced his allegiance to his fraternity because of the class of men who have latterly been admitted into the Order, "Because," said he confidentially to me, "how can I call myself a brother to men whom I cannot invite to my home, and to whom I cannot introduce my family?"

The men who carry off the honors I do not pretend to underrate; a chapter is too often valued by the number of speakers' places and medals its members obtain; but my observation has clearly shown that in nearly all cases the man of family and moderate means, the man who is a favorite in college, even though he be a rather poor student, is to be preferred to him whose only recommendation is that he is a class-leader. I think most of the chapters will agree with me in this, and I hope they will show it in their future selections.

G. N. W.

Personals.

Mr. A. E. Walker of the University of Virginia, writes:

"I must congratulate you on your neat QUARTERLY I like it far better than any of the Fraternity publications I have seen here, the style is better and the matter far more interesting and instructive. I am sure it will accomplish wonders for Kappa Sigma."

Chas. H. Haldeman with the firm of Geo. W. and B. F. Haldeman, 108 Locust St. Columbia, Pa., writes: "I am delighted with the QUARTERLY and am sure it will do the good your efforts deserve."

Jno. M. Bogart of Knoxville, Tennessee, writes of the QUARTERLY: "I must congratulate you on the manner in which it is gotten up. Already it reflects great credit on the Editors, and I am sure the future will see great improvement. This is something we have needed for a long time, and if it only receives the hearty support of all the chapters it must become a great agent for good to the fraternity at large."

J. A. Cragwall, S. Spruce St., (care Dr. Douglas,) Nashville, Tenn., has our thanks for forwarding a number of subscriptions from Nashville. Brother C. is a live, active Kappa Sigma and deserves credit for his zeal in forwarding her cause.

Prof. John W. Tinsley (Zeta), principal of a flourishing Academy at Onancock, Virginia, shows his appreciation of the QUARTERLY by writing the following: "It does my heart good to feel that there is established new means for the furtherance of more brotherly love among the members of our fraternity, and therefore I hail with delight the KAPPA SIGMA QUARTERLY."

Such enthusiasm from a gentleman of brother T's standing should put to blush some of our lukewarm members.

Brothers Jas. C. Fink and Frank L. Smith of Concord, N. C., were among the first Kappa Sigmas of "The old North State" to subscribe to the QUARTERLY and are the first to pay their subscription.

Fred. Halsey (Omega), is in the real estate business in Tyler, Texas; the firm name is Cotnam & Halsey.

G. D. Footman (Omega), is in business in Savannah, Georgia.

E. E. C. Habersham (Omega), is connected with his father's business in Savannah, Ga.

A. M. Moulton (Omega), is with his father in the shipping business at New Orleans, La.

I. H. Knox (Omega), is connected with the firm of Frank E. Block at Atlanta, Ga.

M. K. Clark (Omega), is in the tobacco business at Clarksville, Tenn.

H. B. Buckner, Jr. (Omega), is in the wholesale dry-goods business in Nashville.

W. C. Philips (Omega), is taking a business course in Nashville.

W. L. Robertson (Omega), of Salado, Texas, intends studying medicine.

J. C. Howerton (Omega), is at his home in Cuero, Texas.

W. H. Inglesby (Omega), is at Roanoke, Va., in the employ of the N. and W. R. R.

E. W. Hughes (Omega)' is reading law at Charleston, S. C.

C. Chaffe, Jr., (Omega), is in the cotton business at New Orleans, La.

A. H. Marks (Omega), is practising law with his father ex-Governor Marks of Tenn., in Nashville.

The QUARTERLY is promised a communication from brother M. and judging from his reputation as a writer, his articles will receive marked attention.

Geo. Waddill (Omega), is at his home in Vicksburg, Mississippi.

W. Hunter (Omega), is at his home in Columbus, Ga.

A. M. Chichester (Omega), intends entering upon the raising of fine cattle in Virginia.

J. N. Hazlehurst is in business at Chattanooga, Tenn.

Those alumni of Omega who know of the whereabouts of any brothers not herein mentioned, or anything of interest concerning them will confer a favor by communicating with R. T. Browrigg or Edgar Moulton, Sewanee, Tenn.

The fraternity should be congratulated upon such an active and efficient executive officer as brother J. I. Hurt (W. G. T.), Hampden Sidney, Virginia. For though young and encumbered with college duties he is ever on the alert to push forward the fraternity to which he has sworn allegiance. And we can safely guarantee that if brother Hurt is retained in his office the Kappa Sigma exchequer will soon be full to overflowing.

G. K. Mason (Upsilon), is in business at Little Rock, Arkansas.

J. A. Clark (Nu) is manufacturing tobacco at Liberty, Virginia; his factory is known as Blue Ridge Tobacco Works.

Bascom McDaniel, attorney-at-law, Waxahachie, Texas, writes: "Am pleased with the first number, and wish for the undertaking unbounded success."

The following, clipped from the *Abingdon Standard*, is one of the many complimentary notices given by the papers of Abingdon, Virginia, to brother Bolling.

"Mr. Rolfe Bolling came back to Abingdon a short time ago, and on the 1st of January will take charge of S. N. Frank & Co's clothing store, as managing partner. We are glad to have Mr. Bolling back with us. His good business qualifications, his courteous manner, and genial disposition make him a general favorite."

Mr. S. A. Carson with Hamilton and Smith, Abingdon, Va., writes: "I am delighted with the QUARTERLY; let the good work go on."

Psi Chapter, Orono Me, is fortunate in her choice of a correspondent. Brother McNally's letter comes in promptly, is newsy, and to the point.

Brother J. R. Spencer is at home in Farmville, Virginia, reading medicine, he will go to the University of Maryland shortly to get his M. D.

Brother Ed. S. Sublett (Zeta), is teaching at Amherst C. H., Va. He will return next year to the University of Virginia, where he will be welcomed by the brothers of Zeta Chapter.

Brother J. W. Gray of Upsilon has been very ill of late, the brothers at Hampden Sidney will be rejoiced when they learn that he is now entirely out of danger. He is at home in Gerardstown, W. Va.

Brother W. B. Farant is a prosperous business man in Norfolk he is junior member of the firm of Jno. L. Farant & Co., his relations to the active chapters has long since been discontinued but from the tone of recent communications he shows the zeal of a true Greek and has Kappa Sigma and its welfare at heart.

Mr. Chas. Richardson is principal of Valdosta Seminary, Lee Co., Va. Brother R. has been teaching only a few months but has enrolled over one hundred and fifty students. This speaks well for him but he deserves it all; he was one of the most accomplished members of the class of 1885, at Emory and Henry College, and is a zealous Kappa Sigma and a capital fellow.

Brother S. W. Wright of Rome, Ga., has secured for himself an enviable reputation as an orator and advocate of temperance; he contributed much toward the passage of the local option law recently enacted in Atlanta, Ga.

Brothers J. N. Humes is in business in Roanoke, Va. He is an energetic business man, a good Kappa Sigma and deserves the success with which we hear he is meeting.

A Plea for Ancient Languages.

In all colleges of high grade, a knowledge of the Classics is essential to graduation. There is now a large class of educators who oppose this system. They hold that the advantages accruing from a knowledge of the Ancient languages do not compensate for the time and money expended in gaining this knowledge. Let us examine briefly this noble structure which the Vandals of to-day wish so ruthlessly to tear down.

At the beginning of the Christian era Roman dominion was universal. The Latin and Greek were the spoken languages of the world. The two twin sisters borrowed fresh beauty from the association.

Roman learning and Roman civilization sunk in a sea of blood beneath the swords of the Goths and Vandals.

The Latin, as a spoken language, ceased to exist. The literary gems of this language were hidden in the seclusion of the convents, and the priests became the custodians of these ancient treasures. As a written language the Latin still lived. The schoolmen, the monks, in fact all the writers in the middle ages expressed their thoughts through the medium of this language.

In the year 1483 Constantinople was taken by the Turks. The Greek language expelled from the Peloponnese, sought a refuge beyond the Alps. The seed fell in generous soil. The awakening was near. Christendom chained for centuries by Romish superstition had at last aroused. Universities were founded. The sword was exchanged for the pen. The knight's armor was laid aside for the student's gown.

The Ancient languages were studied with enthusiasm in every university. What was the result? The minds of men were enlightened. Their views broadened on all subjects. They began to look with contempt on the superstitions of the monks. The study of the Bible in the original tongues was commenced, and this brought its re-

ward. The gloom was dissolved, and the Reformation ushered in.

No college—in the proper acceptation of this term—can afford to expel the Ancient Languages from its curriculum. Latin and Greek are the central suns around which all educational systems revolve. A knowledge of these languages is the open Sesame to all other knowledge. Furnished with this wand the receptacles of ancient knowledge open to our touch. After the lapse of twenty-five centuries Homer's poetry does not sound less sweet than when reated from door to door by the blind bard.

Though written in a barbarous age, what poetry has ever taken such a hold upon humanity? The English-speaking race is proud of its Shakspeare, and well it may be. Time is the crucial test. The poetry of Shakspeare has stood the shock of three centuries. The Iliad and Odyssey is read and admired twenty-five centuries after the death of the author. There can be no thorough scholarship, without some knowledge of the Classics—for the superstructure to be enduring, the substructure must be firm. This system of education has produced a Milton. His poetry equaled by few, surpassed by none.

Dryden, in the following lines echoed the sentiment of the English-speaking race:

"Three poets in three distant ages born,
Greece, Italy and England did adorn.
The first in loftiness of thought surpassed;
The next in majesty; in both the last.
The force of nature could no further go,
To make a third she joined the other two."

Virgil and Homer have been the models whom other poets have striven to imitate. Milton blended into one harmonious whole what was most pleasing in both. A knowledge of these masters can be obtained by reading them in the original. Their beauty is marred by a translation. A musical instrument when placed near another, will respond, if a similar chord is touched they vibrate in unison. The music pealing from this mighty organ strikes responsive chords in other breasts, the echoed notes are

feebler but the harmony is pure. Poetry is, in this sense, but an imitation, for in the main, it consists in assimilating the thoughts and feelings of the great poets of the past.

The *Ars Poetica* is not all that we gain from the Classics. In satire Juvenal is still the model. Junius, the greatest satirist of the last century, sharpened his arrow in this forge. Cicero and Demosthenes have always been peers in oratory. To feel their passions we must read their words, no translation is adequate. Pope, the haughtiest, the stateliest and the coldest of English poets has undertaken a translation of Homer, a work whose principal beauty consists in the depth of the feeling it portrays.

In the original, we live and suffer with the suffering Trojans. When we read the story of Hector, we burn with indignation, and when Troy is taken we feel that all is lost.

In Pope's translation the verse is smooth, the periods stately, the harmony perfect. It diverts, entertains and instructs, appeals to the sensibilities, but never moves the feelings. Ripe scholarship is needed. The mental training gained by a study of the Classics can be obtained from no other source.

Carlyle has described genius, as an immense ability for painstaking. A young man enters college, and there is compelled to study Latin and Greek. After leaving college he enters no profession, but goes into business. The opponents of this system say that behind the accountant's desk this knowledge will be of no practical use to him. They are clearly in the wrong. He has gained the mental discipline and has acquired the habit of painstaking study that will never forsake him, and will be of incalculable advantage to him. There is no royal road to success, ripe scholarship results from persistent effort.

We may not call the Latin language the mother of our own, but the English is truly its foster-child. A knowl.

edge of the Latin is essential in order that we may properly know and appreciate our own language.

In the past, it was the custom with scholars to ridicule the English.

Previous to the reign of Elizabeth even, English writers, wrote principally in the Latin language. After that period the tide began to turn; new beauties were discovered in our own language, its capacity was increased.

The ugly duckling became a swan, and the butterfly emerged from its chrysalis. This change was brought about, in a great measure, by the reflex influence of the Latin; the Anglo-Saxon language is forcible and concise; the Latin dignified and grave.

By the union of the two, a language has been produced surpassing all others in its breadth and depth. In this language, as in a burnished mirror, all the varying emotions of the human soul can be portrayed, and the reflected image will be a faithful representation of the original.

When a knowledge of the Ancient languages is gained, it renders the acquisition of the Modern much less difficult. With a knowledge of Old Greek, Modern Greek is comparatively easy. The beauties of Classic literature are thoroughly appreciated by true scholars, and can never fail to excite their admiration.

A. L. B., Prof. Anc't Lang.,
Round Rock College.

Greek News.

Governor-elect Foraker, of Ohio, is a Phi Kappa Psi.

John S. Wise, the defeated Republican candidate for Governor of Virginia is a Beta Theta Pi.

Senator Zeb. Vance of North Carolina is a Phi Gamma Delta.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon has withdrawn the charter of the chapter at the University of Florida.

Phi Delta Theta has entered the University of Alabama with forty-three men, Sigma Nu with thirty-two and Kappa Alpha with fourteen.

Within the last two years the State universities of Missouri, North Carolina and Alabama, Vanderbilt University, Davidson College, (N. C.), and Erskine College, (S. C.), have repealed their laws against secret societies.

Sigma Chi has revoked the charter of Pi chapter at Howard college, Alabama, because of anti-frat. laws and the poor standing of the college.

A chapter of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity has entered Hampden Sidney College, making the seventh fraternity at that college of one hundred and fifteen students. Things are becoming somewhat crowded in "Old Virginia." The fraternities represented there, now are, Kappa Sigma, Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Chi, Phi Gamma Delta, Chi Phi, Phi Kappa Psi, and Pi Kappa Alpha.

Beta Theta Pi says "that at Amherst College Psi Upsilon freshmen are put through an examination on the Constitution, By-Laws and History of the Fraternity at the

first meeting after their initiation." This is not a bad idea, and it might be well for our Chapter to follow the example set by the Psi Upsilon Chapter.

The convention of the Chi Phi Fraternity which met in New York November 18th, 1885, placed the editorship of the *Chi Phi Quarterly* in the hands of Mr. Ed. L. Spark of Columbus, Ohio, with Mr. C. B. Heiserman of Urbana Ohio as business manager.

Thirty-two delegates were present, all but three chapters being represented. Rev. Arthur E. Powell of York, Pa., is the new Grand Alpha. The Convention adjourned to meet November, 1886, at Louisville, Ky.

We wish to call attention to the chapter letters as the best available means of learning exactly what is the real working-value of a chapter. If a chapter sends to the magazine frequent, full and intelligent letters, it is almost certain that it is a live chapter and in every respect creditable. Conversely, a poor chapter sends poor letters or none. Let the chapter-killer take notice. By the way, the chapter-killer didn't seem to go to St. Louis; but we think he will come to Cincinnati next year in full force.—
Beta Theta Pi.

The recent law enacted at the Virginia Military Institute will no doubt be disastrous to the various fraternities at that Institution. Sigma Chi has withdrawn their chapter, but no doubt Sigma Nu and Kappa Sigma Kappa will cling to their parent institution until the last moment.

Randolph Macon chapters are still annoyed by non-fraternity cliques and rings. These are small matters, however, for Greek against barbarian inevitable results in the confusion of "Barbary." Did we hear though that one of the Greeks intends withdrawing from the scene of action?

The chapter letter of B. H. chapter of Beta Theta Pi,

says: The K. K. F. society, it is rumored, have received a charter from Kappa Sigma. They are a strong set of men and Kappa Sigma can do no better.

The above is about correct, and we are indebted to the Beta Theta Pi at Maine State College for courtesies which we hope to be able to return.

Miscellaneous.

We clip from the *Knoxville Tribune* the following complimentary notice of the marriage of Bro. W. G. McAdoo.

MARRIAGE IN CHATTANOOGA.

*W. G. McAdoo, Esq., formerly of Knoxville,
Wins a Bride.*

"CHATTANOOGA, TENN., November, 18.—St. Paul's Episcopal Church was filled with a large and fashionable audience this evening to witness one of the most brilliant marriages of the season. At eight o'clock the marriage service began, which united in holy matrimony Mr. Wm. G. McAdoo and Miss Sarah H. Fleming. At the appointed hour a choir composed of about twenty boys in white surplices entered the church chanting a wedding march. They were followed by Rev. Dr. Dumbell, the officiating clergyman, and next came the bride leaning on the arm of her cousin, Mr. Nisbet Hazlehurst. At the altar they were met by the bridegroom, attended by his best man, Mr. C. E. Humes of Knoxville, and at the chancel the beautiful Episcopal marriage ceremony was performed in the most solemn and impressive manner. After the marriage the choir and the officiating clergyman preceded the bridal party out of the church. Following the bridegroom and bride came Mr. Hazlehurst and Mr. Humes, and next the two ushers, Dr. Thomas Barclay and Mr. H. O. Ewing. After receiv-

ing the congratulations of friends Mr. McAdoo and his bride were driven to the depot, and at 9:20 p. m. took the eastern bound train for Philadelphia. They will also visit New York and Washington, and return to Chattanooga via Cincinnati. They will be absent about two weeks. In the afternoon before the marriage the bride-elect received many handsome and costly presents at her home, the residence of her cousin, Mr. Hazlehurst.

The bride is one of the most highly accomplished young ladies of Chattanooga and is beloved alike for her lovely disposition and charming manners. The beauties of her mind and heart are no less captivating than the beauty of her form and feature. Mr. McAdoo is one of the rising young lawyers of Chattanooga. He is a son of Professor W. G. McAdoo, of Knoxville, and inherits much of his father's vigorous intellect. He left Knoxville a year or two ago to become Assistant Clerk of the United States Court at Chattanooga, and since that time has risen rapidly in the city of his adoption. With his many friends in Knoxville, we desire to tender our most hearty congratulations, and wish the happy couple a long life of unbroken happiness."

BEACH-COUTS.

"At the Methodist Church, at Clarksville, Tennessee, on November 4th, Mr. W. E. Beach led to the altar Miss Jessie, the accomplished and lovely daughter of John F. Couts, of this city. The ceremony that united their lives was pronounced by Dr. John P. McTanan, of Nashville. The ushers were George S. Irwin, Q. A. Elliott, L. B. Askew, H. E. Beach, J. A. Clements, C. G. Smith, Jr., C. A. Hall and Ed. Beach. The church was handsomely decorated, one of the chief objects of beauty, and one which attracted much attention, being a large gas-jet made into a star and crescent, and admirably forming the Kappa Sigma Badge, to which fraternity the groom belongs. Mr. and Mrs. Beach left at once for the East.

No marriage has occurred in Clarksville in years, in which both bride and groom held a more prominent place in the respect and esteem of the community, and none have entered the marriage state with brighter prospects for happiness than this couple."

The above copied from a Clarksville, Tenn., paper is one of the many evidences of Kappa Sigma triumph in Clarksville. The many "Star and Crescent" brothers extend their warmest congratulations to brother Beach and his charming bride.

GRAND ENTERTAINMENT BY THE KAPPA SIGMA FRATERNITY.

"The past week has been a season of pleasing entertainments and fashionable gatherings, but the grand ball and banquet at the Exchange Hall last night, given by the Kappa Sigma fraternity, surpassed everything of the kind. It was one of the most magnificent entertainments ever given in the city. The ladies, of course, had a hand in the decorations at the banquet. Miss Mamie Johnson won the prize for the most elaborate and profuse decoration that ever ornamented the Exchange Hall. The music stand was a beautiful Gothic design, spangled gauze screen and evergreen railings, richly ornamented with red white and blue flowers, the colors of the fraternity. The badge of the order, a great star and crescent, in green and gold, was on the wall, all manner of wreaths and festoons being in rich profusion. The bower that overhung the water-stand was very attractive, as were all the decorations.

The banquet was an elegant affair, the table being richly decorated and lighted by pyramids of red, white and blue candles. A beautiful crescent filled with little gas jets lighted the entrance to the hall. The attendance was large and composed of Clarksville's fashionable society and visitors from other cities. The ladies appeared in full evening dress. Among the visitors were Miss Mary Statham, of Virginia; Misses Annie Bell Gill and Lucie Morris, of St. Louis; Misses Carrie Hoyt, Nannie Gleaves, ———

Dorch and Mary Merriwether, of Nashville; Misses Julia Venable, Emma Wheeler and Lou Redd, of Hopkinsville, Ky.; Misses Belle and Mollie Wisdom, of Paducah; Miss Pearl Porter of Paris, Tenn.; Miss Kate Storey, of Lockport, Texas; Misses Bessie Simpson and Ellie Richter, of Eufaula, Ala.; Misses Susie and Fannie Barker, of Christian County, Ky., and quite a number of gentlemen from the cities named. The German, commencing at one and a half o'clock, led by Mr. Edger Moulton, of New Orleans, and Miss Statham, of Virginia, was a grand success, participated in by about thirty couples. The favors were very handsome and costly. The music was by Charlie's Italian Band of Nashville.—*Nashville American*.

The above notice of a German given by Phi chapter, shows that the members of that body not only appreciate dancing, but display exquisite taste in the "get up" of such affairs. We wish to notify our Kappa Sigma brothers that the Editors of the QUARTERLY are by no means superannuated, and can *sometimes* be induced to dance.

Reminiscence.

CLINTON SCOLLARD IN PURPLE AND GOLD.

Now that leaden-stoled November's
 Biting blasts are blowing cold,
Here before the brightening embers
 I recall the days of old;—
How I drank from science-fountains,
 Quaffed from rippling rills of rhyme,
Clambered over classic mountains
 With a "horse" to help me climb;
From philosopher's surmises
 How my soul grew tempest-tossed,
How I won far fewer prizes
 Than I lost.

And a host of happy faces
 Throng before me as I dream,
 Till in unforgotten places
 With the friends of yore I seem;
 Hear their jests and laughter ringing
 O'er the campus, through the halls,
 And the echo of their singing
 Float from out the college walls,
 Join them at the midnight "roasting"
 When the autumn air is chill,
 Or at foray, or at coasting
 Down the "Hill."

And among my pleasant fancies
 All my olden loves I view,
 Mauds and Mabels, Nells and Nancys,
 Black and gray eyes, brown and blue.
 Dawns upon my recollection
 How I trembled 'neath their spells,
 But I know, on due reflection,
 That no longer they are belles!
 None have Cupid's arrows parried;
 Ruling now in hall or cot,
 (Woe is me!) they all are married,
 I am not!

E'en though *Tempus* start instanter
 On a gallop, what care I?
 If I've health in my decanter
 Let the hoary beggar fly!
 I will own I am not handy
 In some arts that maidens praise,
 Cannot quote the "*ars amandi*"
 As I could in younger days.
 Drifting toward the final station
 On the great highway of Time,
 I've abundant consolation
 In my rhyme!

Editorials.

THANKS.

Dr. Arthur C. Heffenger, U. S. N., is the first Kappa Sigma to "remember the poor editors" at Xmas time. We are indebted to him for a useful present in the shape of "Bigelow's Hand Book of Punctuation." We need the book and Bro. H's delicate criticism is appreciated.

TO DELTA CHAPTER.

In addition to Delta's chapter letter we publish a personal letter from correspondent Abell, in which he asks some questions and makes a good suggestion in regard to some matter for Chapter Letters. In answer to the questions will say: First, we want letters every three months. The QUARTERLY is issued the first of the months, October, January, April and July, and we wish the letters to reach us fifteen (15) days before these periods. Should the Institutions at which the chapters are located give vacation at any of the above periods, please send in letters *just before* vacation commences. In that event we also wish the home addresses of subscribers so we can forward QUARTERLY directly to them. Second, while the QUARTERLY is intended as a vehicle of communication between Kappa Sigmas, there is no objection to members of other fraternities seeing it; in fact an examination of our subscription list will show the names of some who are members of no fraternity, but preferring the Kappa Sigma they give it their support. We concur heartily with Bro. Abell in his suggestion about chapter letters, and think that it will add much to the interest of letters should they contain sketches of the Institution from which they emanate.

OUR NEW W. G. S.

In our last issue we neglected to notice (except in Direc-

tory) an important change in the Supreme Executive Committee, that was the resignation of Worthy Grand Scribe, Snowden, and the election of Mr. Ed. L. Sutton, of Dahlonaga, Georgia, as his successor. The position of W. G. S. is one not only of great importance, but of considerable labor, and we congratulate the S. E. C. on their wise selection in filling the vacancy. Bro. Sutton is a zealous Kappa Sigma, a cultivated gentleman, a thorough man of business, and one who will fill the position to which he has been elected with credit to himself and honor to the fraternity.

NEW CHAPTERS.

Within the past sixty days, four new Kappa Sigma chapters have been chartered by the Supreme Executive Committee. Three of them are named and situated as follows: Epsilon, founded by R. Taylor Gleaves and F. H. Terry, at Centenary College, Jackson, La. Psi, founded by S. A. Jackson, at Maine State College, Orono, Me. Delta, founded by Fred. Von Rosenberg, (of Tau) at Maryland Military and Naval Academy, Oxford, Md. The fourth is, as yet, in such a shape that we are requested to publish nothing concerning. The first three chapters named are in a very flourishing condition, well organized, well equipped and from the report they have made, will be main-stays to Kappa Sigma. It is also rumored in Kappa Sigma circles that we are to have a fifth new chapter, but as the Bro. who has the matter in charge, desires to work in secret, we respect his wishes and keep silent as to his whereabouts. The cause of Kappa Sigma is truly on a boom, and we trust the good work will be pushed forward until the members of our Brotherhood are as numerous as "the sands of the sea."

CHRISTMAS CARD.

We are in receipt of a handsome Xmas card, gotten up

by Upsilon chapter, at Hampden Sidney College. The card is something new in Kappa Sigma circles, and the idea is such a good one that we have no doubt but that other chapters will follow Upsilon's lead.

H. SILVERTHORN.

We wish to call the attention of our chapters to the advertisement of H. Silverthorn, Kappa Sigma jeweler, which appears in the *QUARTERLY*. Mr. Silverthorn is one of the largest and most reliable manufacturing jewellers in the South, and as the convention of '85 awarded him the contract (over several competitors) for making Kappa Sigma jewelry, it is the *duty* of chapters to extend him their patronage. His prices are lower than we have ever had, and in point of workmanship his jewelry is unsurpassed. These points, together with the reliability of Mr. Silverthorn, should make it the pleasure, as well as duty, of all Kappa Sigmas to purchase their jewelry from him.

CHAPTER LETTERS.

We must again urge upon chapters the importance of sending us letters for publication. You should remember that the sister chapters watch with great interest for the appearance of these quarterly letters, in order to compare their progress and standing with yours. Then the Alumni of your chapter take a deep interest in your affairs and invariably look to see what progress you are making in the work they formerly took such an active part. Now in this issue the majority of letters are from chapters that we did not hear from in October; so, arguing from the past, April will again show a new set. Can't this be remedied? Correspondents, look to it! and let April number contain a letter from every active chapter.

Press Notices.

A few of the Press Notices, given the first number of the QUARTERLY:

We have received from the editors the initial number of the "Kappa Sigma Quarterly," published at Wytheville, Va. It is devoted to the interests of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity. Messrs. Frank Terry, Taylor Gleaves and Brownrigg are its editors. Its typography is a marvel of beauty, and it is filled with excellent reading matter. We wish it success.—*Abingdon Standard*.

The first number of the "Kappa Sigma Quarterly," published at the St. Clair job office of Wytheville, Va., has just made its appearance. F. H. Terry, R. Taylor Gleaves and R. T. Brownrigg are the editors. The printing, like all other work turned out by this excellent job office, is simply faultless, but our friends, the editors, have permitted their publication to be marred, to some extent, by typographical errors. The reading matter is decidedly creditable.—*Lynchburg Virginian*.

We have received the first number of this Quarterly which is published in the interest of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity, with F. H. Terry, R. Taylor Gleaves and R. T. Brownrigg as editors. It is a handsome pamphlet of fifty-four pages, with excellent selections and editorial contributions. The typographical work was done at the job office of D. A. St. Clair, of Wytheville, under the supervision of Mr. Frank St. Clair, and it is a model of neatness.—*Patriot and Herald*.

We are in receipt of Vol. 1, No. 1, of the Kappa Sigma Quarterly, a fraternity journal published at Wytheville, and jointly edited by Messrs. F. H. Terry, R. T. Gleaves, and R. T. Brownrigg. The journal, as its name indicates, is pub-

lished by and in the interest of the Kappa Sigma fraternity. Having had some experience in editing a fraternity journal ourself, we can more cordially congratulate the editors on their success in supplying to their brethren a handsome and interesting quarterly. In this number is a biographical sketch of Jefferson Davis, from the well known pen of Mrs. C. D. Newell, and an article entitled "Am I living, or am I dead," by L. K. G., a writer equally well known to many of our readers. The journal was printed at the St. Clair printing office and is a model in typographical neatness.—*South-West Virginia Enterprise*.

[BY A FRIEND.]

I had the unexpected pleasure, yesterday morning, in looking over the magazines and exchanges with which the DISPATCH's desk is loaded, to find the very elegantly printed and bound quarterly of the Kappa Sigma fraternity. This is from the St. Clair press of Wytheville, in their usual tasteful style of execution. The articles, descriptive and biographical, are highly creditable to the young gentlemen chosen as editors by the recent convention of the Kappa Sigma fraternity at Lynchburg. The biographical sketch of their worthy brother, Jefferson Davis, from the facile pen of Mrs. Prof. Newell, illustrated with a fine engraving of Mr. Davis, giving a fair and impartial resume of the history of the great leader of "The Lost Cause", reflects credit upon the journal. Its pages are further adorned by a beautiful story, almost Tennysonian in its mystic but clear handling of a highly poetic and sentimental subject.. Its editors are Frank H. Terry, Esq., R. Taylor Gleaves, Esq., and R. T. Brownrigg, Esq.—*Wytheville Dispatch*.

Chapter Letters.

DELTA CHAPTER.

OXFORD, MARYLAND.

Delta chapter was established at the Maryland Military and Naval Academy by F. C. Von Rosenberg, of Tau chapter, Monday, October 21st, 1885, and the first candidate T. W. Hazlehurst was initiated into the mystic bond of our union.

The day following, brothers C. B. Burks and W. J. Miller, both of Tennessee, and brother J. H. Covington of Maryland were initiated. On Wednesday following brother J. Wedderburn of D. C. joined the brotherhood.

Brother Von Rosenberg then thought it best to suspend active operation, until the brothers were better acquainted with their duties as Kappa Sigmas. So that on Saturday 31st of October, when we had our next meeting, all were well versed in the duties of the temporary offices which they respectively occupied. This meeting occurred at night in one of the section rooms of the Academy. We then initiated in due form brothers, W. H. Osborne of Pa., T. B. Peters of Kansas and A. U. Belts of Ohio, and for the first time they beheld the light of Kappa Sigma.

The following officers were then elected: F. C. Von Rosenberg, G. M., T. W. Hazlehurst, G. P., W. J. Miller, G. M. C., A. U. Belts, G. T., C. B. Burke, G. S., and J. H. Covington, G.

The advancement and progress of Delta in membership demanded a regular place of meeting, and it was determined to rent a meeting room in town, as section rooms were most too conspicuous for fraternity meetings. After considerable delay we succeeded in renting the hall of the K. of H. In the meantime we were not idle as the following will show.

Saturday night, November 21st, found us in our new

quarters and the work of Kappa Sigma was vigorously commenced. Seven men were on the outside of the ante-room anxiously awaiting their turn, to be initiated, and become heart and soul members of the Kappa Sigma fraternity. Their expectations were soon gratified and the following seven men walked forth true and lawful Kappa Sigmas: C. E. Wooten, Delaware, J. F. McIndoe, Maryland, J. H. Allbright, Indiana, B. R. Logri, West Virginia, W. R. Bell, Maryland, L. Low, Pennsylvania, G. L. Abell, Oregon. November 23rd, we added to our roll: J. W. Wagner, Mississippi, D. P. Rock, Texas, W. W. Cooper, Maryland.

Thus far Delta has nineteen men, representing thirteen states of the Union. We have one chapter in opposition to us, but we have no fears on that score as we have the pick of the Academy. The officers of the Athenæum are all members of Kappa Sigma except one.

G. L. ABELL,
Correspondent.

PHI CHAPTER.

SOUTH-WESTERN PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY.

CLARKSVILLE, TENNESSEE.

Phi was established by brother S. A. Jackson of Zeta in 1881. There preceeded us at our University, chapters of the Alpha Tau Omega and Pi Kappa Alpha fraternities. We first opened with a small membership, but owing to the popularity and high standing of the first initiates, it rapidly increased until at the end of the same year there were eleven names upon our roll. From that time to the present, Phi has been remarkably successful and steadily growing in spite of much severe opposition.

At the end of the term of 1884-'85, we met with a severe loss numerically, but at the beginning of the present session we took heart and engaged ourselves more heartily than ever in the interests of Kappa Sigma. We have been fully repaid for our trouble, as we now have, I think

quite a creditable roll, considering the poor material upon which we have to work.

Ever since our chapter was founded we have worked upon the principal, that a small and select chapter roll was preferable in every way, and I see that we are supported in this idea by some of our best chapters. We have often been able to increase our membership, but have preferred not doing so, being of the opinion that to have no one, was better than having poor men. In this way the members of our chapter are united in close and firm bonds of true friendship, and each man works solely for the good of his brothers and the welfare and advancement of Kappa Sigma. We never choose men on account of high standing socially or success at college. This is of course an object, but not the only one, our main object being to choose those men whom we know will aid us in the cause for which our glorious fraternity was established.

Our chapter at first had no suitable place of meeting, but during the preceeding session we engaged a room permanently, which we with much trouble and great expense fitted up and furnished splendidly. At present we have beyond doubt, the best chapter-house of any fraternity in college, and one of which we are justly proud. We have our regular meetings which are always interesting and well attended.

Phi chapter has always been prolific in alumni men. Quite a goodly part of the graduates of our University, have been Kappa Sigmas. Among whom I may mention, brothers C. Mason, Henry Craft, D. T. Schoolfield, J. C. Neely, E. A. Snowden, late W. G. S. and L. Meacham all of Memphis and who are now actively engaged in business in that city, brother J. L. Craig now at Cumberland University, brothers D. Martin and L. J. Irving of Texas, brother E. M. Atkins of Florida, and many others, all of whom take deep interest in and are indefatigable in their zeal for Kappa Sigma. Besides the members of Phi who are in attendance at the University there are here in our city at present, brothers C. W. Beaumont, W. E. Beach,

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H. M. Dunlop, M. K. Clark, C. G. Smith, R. W. and J. L. Glenn, J. P. Dunlop, R. M. Henry and J. W. Mimms, all of whom though alumni are active members of Phi chapter.

This I think will give some idea of the strength and standing of Phi, and will show that though we have opposing us three other fraternities we will be able to hold our own in the future, as we have done in the past. Let me say in conclusion, that no chapter works more heartily for the advancement of the cause than does Phi.

Yours in Kappa Sigma,

JOE. P. DUNLOP,
Correspondence.

PSI CHAPTER.

STATE COLLEGE, ORONO, ME., *Dec. 10, 1885.*

Editors Kappa Sigma Quarterly:

In accordance with the wish of the members it devolves upon me to write a short sketch concerning the past, present and future of the now flourishing Psi chapter. During the fall session of 1884, a movement was made among the non-society men at the Maine State College toward establishing a local society, for the purpose of obtaining a charter from a Greek Letter Fraternity, and for the better protection of our rights.

The opinion of the members seemed to be, that, if they were held together by some bond, they might, by combining with one of the other societies, obtain a fairer representation among the officers elected by the students as a whole, and in the different classes to which they belonged. After considerable delay and discussion the K. K. F. society was founded and the following members were initiated, viz: Geo. W. Chamberlain, W. Lebanon, Me; Geo. L. Hanseom, Orono, Me.; L. W. Riggs, N. Georgetown, Me.; J. M. Ayer, Freedom, Me.; J. D. Blagden, Carmel, Me.; W. J. Harris, Groton, Mass.; H. A. McNally, Fort Fairfield, Me.; A. S. Ruth, Linnens, Me.; H. F. Perkins,

Oakland, Me.; S. F. Miller, Burlington, Me.; Geo. R. Hagerthy, S. Hancock, Me.

Since that time we have initiated seven new members, but owing to our loss of three more by graduation, and of several who have not returned, our chapter has at present but twelve active members, with a prospect of two more returning next term, who have been absent during the last six months.

Bros. Chamberlain, Hanscom and Riggs, our only men in 1885, ranked among the first in their class and held offices as follows, viz: Chamberlain, valedictorian; Hanscom, class orator; Riggs, Treasurer. Bros. Blagden and Ayer, of 1886, are among the first in their class in their studies. Of our brothers in the class of 1887, it need only be said, that they are all young men who are fully able to sustain the previous good record of the society, as well as being an honor to themselves and their "Alma Mater." Our brothers in 1888, are, without exception, good men, both in their duties to the college and their fraternity.

We have at present only two members from 1889, but both these rank high among their classmates, and bid fair to honor themselves and their instructors in the future years of their course, as well as to do much to benefit and uphold the chapter of which they are members. Physically as well as mentally we are fully able to hold our own. In last year's league base-ball team we had four of the nine men, viz: pitcher, first base, second base and right field, and next year expect to be fully as well represented. At all other games, we can fully sustain our record; and among the rifle teams we have our full share of men.

But enough of the past of the boys. After thoroughly studying the matter of society, and wasting considerable valuable time, our corresponding secretary was instructed to communicate with the Kappa Sigma Fraternity, which he accordingly did; and after some delay, occasioned by inquiry concerning our standing in the college, we were made happy by the information that our petition had been accepted, and we had been granted a charter, with the

letter Psi as our chapter name, which good fortune, we understand, was chiefly due to the efforts of Mr. S. A. Jackson, New York City, New York.

According to instructions received from him, we then proceeded to elect the officers, *pro tem.*, of the chapter, as well as an associate editor for the QUARTERLY, (your humble servant). From latest communication we understand that Bro. Jackson and others will meet several of our men in Bangor, some time about the first of January, 1886, and at once proceed to initiate them, while they will initiate the rest of us when we return to college in the spring. We are all looking forward to the time when we can blossom out as full fledged Kappa Sigmas and no longer be considered the K. K. F's of old. We expect to start in next term with at least twelve men, and we have our eye on two more whom we think would make worthy members of the fraternity. The future of the chapter at present looks very bright; indeed, we are almost sure of fine success during the next two or three years, as all the brothers whom I have mentioned are willing and anxious to perform any duty which may aid or benefit the fraternity.

Ever since our establishment as the K. K. F. society we have been on the best of terms with the Beta Theta Pi fraternity, the Beta Eta chapter of which is situated here.

Last year we published the "Pendulum" in connection with them, on equal terms; but in regard to next spring nothing is yet known; but we hope to continue on the same friendly terms as Kappa Sigmas that we have heretofore. Of the other society (Q. T. V.) I prefer to say nothing. Our boys are jealous enough of their right and honor as members of the Kappa Sigma fraternity, that it will be an excellent recommendation for any man, to be able to say that he is a member of the Psi chapter of the fraternity. Our boys are deeply interested in the QUARTERLY, and all say, "We will send in our subscription as soon as we get back next spring, and are initiated."

We have our chapter rooms in the village, (at Orono), and intend to refurnish and finish them when we return;

and shall be well pleased, at any time, to see any of our brothers there, who may chance to stroll so far east as where we reside.

Hoping that most, if not all, of your correspondents will furnish something more worthy of publication than this, I am

Yours Fraternally,

H. A. McNALLY, *Correspondent.*

ZETA CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF VA., *December 12th, 1885.*

All Hail! to the QUARTERLY. The mother chapter of Virginia Kappa Sigma hastens to send greeting to this, the last and best achievement of our beloved brotherhood, and welcomes her with true maternal pride and affection.

Zeta should be of interest to all true and lawful Kappa Sigmas, and more especially so to those of Virginia, for when life was almost extinct in our order, Zeta stepped in and with the instincts of a mother, nursed and guarded the tiny spark until the sacred fire that animates our breasts has spread from Maine to Texas, on the one hand, and from Maryland to California on the other. While a glance at our roll of members will show names that men speak with pride, and History delights to honor. Our sister chapters, especially in the South, should always think of Zeta in their selection of members, for here the so-called "seed corn" of the South is gathered together, and a "bad ear" will not improve our high standing in the University.

Zeta, in some respects, possess an advantage over the majority of Kappa Sigma chapters and how well has she improved those advantages, the walls of her hall testify; being decorated with the *photographic trophies* of past years. M. A's, B. L's, and M. D's mingle their fine faces in the yearly groups.

This year, Law, Medicine, and the Academic departments alike are honored with Kappa Sigma representatives. In Law and Medicine we stand *high*, to say the least of it; in the Academics we are "little but loved." While thus our interests in life's pursuits are varied our ends and aims are one,—the honor of Kappa Sigma.

I had intended giving some "personals" but am under duress from the threats of my Brothers, who vow summary vengeance should I attempt it. In conclusion, Zeta pledges a hearty response to the calls of the QUARTERLY as far as in her power lies, and guarantees to do her allotted part of all Kappa Sigma work.

A. E. W., *Correspondent.*

TAU CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AUSTIN, *Dec. 8th, '85.*

The number of members present at the opening of this term were four, and have since initiated three new men. We are, at present, six—one withdrew from the University. The initiates are, Edward Bee, of San Antonio, Texas; E. W. Vinson, Brenham, Texas; E. R. Huck, of Austin, Texas.

There is a great deal of competition between fraternities here. So far the Phi Gamma Delta have seven members; Sigma Chi, ten; Kappa Alpha, fifteen; Phi Delta Theta, twelve; Kappa Sigma, six; Beta Theta Pi, four; W. W. W., five; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, five, making a total of sixty-four men in fraternities that have chapters here. and many other fraternity men that have no chapter. We all think the magazine a grand success, and wish for it in the future that success which it justly deserves.

Fraternally Yours,

E. W. VINSON,
Correspondent.

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CENTERNARY COLLEGE.

JACKSON, LA., *December 20th, 1885.*

Dear Editors:—It becomes my duty, in behalf of our chapter (Epsilon), to let you know as to how we are progressing. You know that we are *sub rosa* and consequently can not manage our affairs as well as if we were otherwise situated. However I hope that we shall be able to establish a chapter here, that will be an honor to the Kappa Sigma fraternity as well as to ourselves.

It has been such a short time since I was initiated into the Greek World that I know comparatively little in regard to its workings; but from the little that has been imparted to me, I feel greatly benefitted, and take a great interest in the progress of our chapter as well as that of the fraternity at large.

Please give us, through the pages of the *QUARTERLY* some advice as to the management of our chapter; as you know, we are new men and cannot of course proceed as well as if guided by an old member. Three of our members are away spending their Christmas holidays, so we cannot accomplish much until they return. We have two men whom we will initiate as soon as we are fixed up as we wish. We will all subscribe to the *QUARTERLY*, and I will forward money for same as soon as the members return.

Wishing to the fraternity every success, I am

Fraternally,

CHAS. H. HARDENBERGH,

Correspondent.

UPSILON CHAPTER.

HAMPDEN SIDNEY COLLEGE, *December 24th, 1885.*

In our haste to get our letter in the first issue of the *QUARTERLY* we omitted to say that we had the pleasure of welcoming into our midst brother R. P. Pell of Eta who after ten years among the ups and downs of the world

has entered, as a student, of Union Theological Seminary, he comes to us well recommended and proves a most valuable and zealous auxiliary.

Upsilon has so far come up all right in every respect. She has secured every one whom she has asked and has secured no one whom she did not want. We can boast of that most essential requisite, a perfectly fraternal feeling. Upsilon, as Omega would say, that our aim is to keep a chapter of congenial and companionable men and to make it not a fraternity nominally but a *fraternity* in the highest and truest sense of the word. We make society honors and offices a secondary matter, should any of our brothers combine these *secondary* qualities with the *primary* we, of course, appreciate it but college honors and literary society distinctions are far from being the ties by which the members of Upsilon are united.

We are enlivened by an occasional visit from brother J. R. Spencer of Xi who resides in Farmville. We always have a cordial grip for brothers and old members and will welcome any and every Kappa Sigma who should chance to visit this vicinity. We hope sincerely that a Kappa Sigma alumni may never come among *us* and pass a week going away unrecognized.

A new fraternity has come among us, the Pi Kappa Alpha. As the intentions of no fraternity were thwarted it was received passively. She hails from South-Western Presbyterian University. We must give her the credit of having secured the pick of the Hampden Sidney O. B's. This makes matters very crowded—seven fraternities and one hundred and fifteen students. But Hampden Sidney can perhaps afford so many fraternities as the college is rapidly being restored to her former glory. The incumbent President is very energetic and successful in advancing her cause and we sincerely hope that this institution will still continue to be a source of usefulness both to the Church and State.

Fraternally,

J. L. ALLISON,
Correspondent.

CHI CHAPTER.

PURDUE UNIVERSITY,
LAFAYETTE, IND. *December 25th, 1885.*

It becomes my duty to write a letter for the QUARTERLY, and it is with great pleasure I make the attempt, though I think Chi could have chosen a much better correspondent. Chi, notwithstanding she is *sub rosa*, is in as good a condition, at present, as could be expected.

The chapter was founded by myself and Bro. W. T. Thayer, Jr., last year, and the roll contains the names of eight good Kappa Sigmas. Being *sub rosa*, we have to work in the dark, but with the Star of Kappa Sigma ever shining before us, we will work surely, and try our best not to fall into the snares of an anti-fraternity faculty. The college is open to fraternities for Juniors and Seniors, but since all our members except one are in the lower classes, we cannot have a chapter hall, and do our work as we should. Next June five more of us will become Juniors, then we will come out with flying colors and it will look as if there had been a shower of stars; for we will all wear our beloved emblem of Hope and Love upon our breasts, on commencement day. We will always try to find a little something to say for the QUARTERLY, and will try and get it in in better time hereafter; but this time we ask to be excused for our little delay, as we have been very busy with our term examination. Chi sends love and Christmas greeting to all within the "Twelfth Gate." Please remember that we are *sub rosa* and be very careful.

Fraternally,

AUGUSTUS RUFFNER,
Correspondent.

KAPPA CHAPTER.

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY,
NASHVILLE, TENN.

With pleasure I announce to the order the marriage of one of our worthiest brothers.

On the 5th of November last brother J. J. Vaughan of Kappa was united with Miss Emma Dalton of Nashville.

For several years Brother Vaughan has been actively and successfully engaged in business in this place.

We of the Skull and Key heartily salute his winsome bride as our sister-in-law. May they be as happy as they deserve.

Kappa Sigma flourishes; the following is a list of those taken in during the present term: Frank C. Stratton, Lebanon, Tennessee; Wm. G. Clagett, Centreville, Tennessee; Owen H. Wilson, Saundersville, Tennessee; Harvey J. Cate, Rumsey, Kentucky.

Brothers Phillips and Bucker of Omega are entitled to share with Brothres Ayers and Dunlop the honor of reviving Kappa Chapter in '85. The Kappa letter to the last QUARTERLY did not take note of their valuable services. It is due our worthy brothers that the mistake be corrected.

The *Vanderbilt Annual* will appear about the middle of the session, which is about to commence. It will probably be an elegant piece of work. Kappa Sigma's interest will be attended to by Brothers Cragwall and Stratton who are two of the Editors. We are earnest and hopeful. We love one another and our order. May the happiness which we wish for ourselves descend upon all our brothers.

A. H. MARKS,
Correspondent.

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Sketch of Lyon G. Tyler.

Lyon G. Tyler was born in Charles City County, Virginia, in September, 1853, and is a son of President Tyler by his second marriage, with Julia Gardiner of New York. He entered the University of Virginia in February, 1870, being then sixteen years old, and graduated with the degrees of Bachelor and Master of Arts in 1875. In October, 1875, he entered the law school. While at the University of Virginia he was twice elected orator of the Jefferson Society, and in 1875 won the scholarship as best editor for the year, of the University Magazine. Mr. Tyler as a student was a frequent contributor to periodicals and continued in after life to apply himself to literary pursuits.

On leaving the University he was elected professor of Belles-Letters at William and Mary College; but after a short service he resigned his claim in 1878, and was for four years principal of a high school in Memphis, Tennessee. In June, 1882, he returned to his native state and began the practice of the law in Richmond. Availing himself of the leisure thus afforded him, and the advantages of the State library, Mr. Tyler put in execution a work which he had long contemplated. Gathering together original letters and information from every quarter, and taking the thread of his grandfathers' and father's lives he presented to the public in two volumes, octavo, under the title of the "Letters and Times of the Tylers," a work not altogether a biography, nor altogether a history, embracing in its limits a panorama of events from the settlement at Jamestown to the war between the states in 1861.

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As a citizen of Richmond Mr. Tyler has taken great interest in the establishment of the Virginia Mechanics' Institute. Skilled mechanical labor is the great requirement of the age, and the value of at least one great industrial school in the State for the improvement of our manufacturing classes cannot be too highly estimated. Virginia is more and more assuming the character of a manufacturing state and it is a duty almost peremptory that facilities of education should be provided for our mechanics. There is now pending before the Legislature a bill intended to meet this requirement. It proposes to

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Mr. Tyler became a member of Zeta chapter of the Kappa Sigma fraternity in 1872-73, and since that date has been active and efficient in the discharge of his duties to the "Star and Crescent."

A Reverie.

From youth to manhood as we passed
How little heed we gave
The march of time as he swiftly chased
The hours of mirth to grave.

'Tis only when the vigor of life
Is marked with spots of grey,
As sighing for rest and weary of strife,
'Tis then we muse on decay ;

How friends we knew in other years
That greet us now no more ;
How cares that roused our hopes and fears
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The True Greek—A Sketch.

The vital element of fraternity life is its social features. Without these the Greek letter fraternity would be a loosely bound association of collegians, devoid of strength and vigor. The best system of government ever devised would not make it anything else. The tie that binds the individuals closely and strongly together is the feeling of congeniality in all of them, and the knowledge that reliance can be placed in each member of the chapter. In his daily life the individual member is surrounded by friends whose characters have been tried and found true. A love, based upon respect, springs up in the hearts of all, and each one finds himself the recipient of kindly interest and sympathetic appreciation from all the others.

He feels that although his faults are known and deprecated, he has in his brethren those upon whom he can depend to aid in overcoming the defects of character without undue harsh treatment of him. He realizes, as all must who are members of a properly organized fraternity, that "in the more delicate affairs of friendship we require at one time the tonic of rough and ready counsel, at another, contact with finest susceptibilities and subtle powers of intuition and expanseness," and he never hesitates, if he be a true Greek, to employ the remedy his judgment tells him is best to effect a cure.

The banding together of men selected with an eye to those qualities which distinguish leaders among men, in an enterprise modeled to aid in the advancement of lofty principles, the cultivation of the mind, and for social communion, must result in much good, not only to the initiated, but also to those with whom they may come in contact in their daily avocations.

The standards of such a body are high, and their endeavors to reach them are earnest and unceasing. Analyzing, as the members do, the characters of those surrounding them, and being, by knightly traditions, pre-

disposed to aid the deserving weak, their influence for good is vast.

The moral ethics of the true fraternity man are as fine as any to be found in any code. He is a gentleman, not necessarily because he can boast ancestors whose sensibilities and intellects have been cultivated through successive generations until he, the latest stage in the evolution, expresses in himself the meaning of the word, but for that within every true, manly character, which in him has been cultivated and expanded by the influences, the social surroundings, of his life in the fraternity. He is honorable and steadfast in principle; he scorns a mean action, and dares the criticism and ill-will of those persons found in every community who sneer at and belittle the idea of chivalry in this age. He proves that never was chivalry so perfect as it is to-day, and that nowhere is there a nobler school of it than in the Greek letter fraternities. In these schools all are pupils and all are teachers. Example and precept guide the studies and inculcate the lessons. •

The foundation stone of the fraternity structure is the sentiment of veneration for noble deeds, high thoughts and unsullied honor, which grows out of the closest social intercourse between young men who take as their models the highest types of manly rectitude and manly beauty of moral character.

Having always in view these landmarks for correctly guiding the course of life, the true Greek gives his aid to all good works, and combats with the strength of earnest conviction the schemes of sophists and intrigues for evil of designing natures. His way is the way of the progress and elevation of mankind; his motto is "Upward and Onward;" his battle cry is "Heart within, and God o'erhead;" and he presses forward to the goal of his ambition, undeterred by menace and obstacle, for "he has learned how surely all schemes of evil bring disaster to those who support them, and that the granite shaft of a noble reputation can never be destroyed by the poisoned breath of slander."

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The Legend of Happy Sigma.

There's five points to our Star
 With its Crescent above,
 There are diamonds and pearls,
 And the secrets we love.

There is reverence with age,
 Though it must not be known
 When our order began,
 Or our Star was first shown.

But to Italy we go,
 To Bologna and Rome,
 Where the Greeks from the Turks
 Found a refuge and home.

And no lovelier land
 Does the sun shine upon,
 Than Bologna's rich plain
 Through which two rivers run.

There's Savena, the one,
 Gliding on to the sea,
 And the Reno in sight,
 Keeping pace with its glee.

There's the walls and the gates,
 And Bologna within,
 There's the churches and shrines
 And confession of sin.

There's the two famous towers,
 And "*Bononia Docet*",
 Which are two famous words
 We shall never forget.

They are chisled in stone,
 Are emblazoned in gold,
 And are painted in books
 Near four centuries old.

Half prophetic, half true,
They were taken we know
As a key to the hall
In the San Donato.

There the Guard, tested all
Who admittance did seek,
Whether Briton or Frank,
Whether Latin or Greek.

But the Guard of the gate
Of the Mystical Hall,
In the San Donato,
Hears no longer a call.

Campo Santo claims him,
But as happens the best,
He transmitted his trust
To the Knights of the West.

* * * * *

Now Sir Knights of the West
Are your lances in hand,
Does your armor shine bright,
Do you wait the command?

Has no Edict gone forth!
Find ye nothing to do,
That's achieving and grand,
That's enlightening and new?

Have all sinners turned saints,
All the ignorant wise?
Are the arts of old Greece
But so much to despise?

If the fortress is safe,
And no breach in the wall,
And no foe that's in sight;
Do you think that is all?

If the circle's complete,
Let each one make a start,

With fresh vows on his lips
And new zeal in his heart.
If you plan not yourself,
Take the plans that you find;
To the front! Forward march!
And let none lag behind.

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A Sketch of Harvard University.

In the year 1636, while the sturdy Puritans of the Massachusetts Bay Colony were still struggling with the hardships of poverty and a severe climate, they turned their attention to education, and took the first steps towards attaining that great reputation which the State of Massachusetts has held for so long, that of being the first State in the Union in the education of its people.

In that year the General Council of Massachusetts Bay Colony voted to give four hundred pounds for the endowment of a college which was to be established at "Newtowne." This appropriation by the General Council gave great impetus to private gifts, which were very large and generous, considering the poverty of the early settlers. A school was started, with Nathaniel Eaton as master. He had no assistants, and his few students boarded in his family.

In 1638 the school at "Newtowne" received a donation (which far exceeded the aggregate of all others) from the Rev. John Harvard, a graduate of Cambridge, England, who left one half of his estate (a sum exceeding six hundred pounds) and his entire library.

This magnificent gift was of the greatest benefit to the little school and the authorities in remembrance of its benefactor changed the name Newtowne to Cambridge, and called the school Harvard College.

In 1640 the first regular president, Rev. Henry Dunster,

was installed, and from that time the presidents have been men of learning and culture, and the College an institution conducted with the purpose of keeping pace with the growing demands of the age and community.

Until the end of the century there were no regular professors or tutors, Henry Flynt being the first tutor, appointed in 1699, and a resident within the college walls until 1754.

In 1721 Thomas Hollis endowed a professorship with an income of forty pounds a year and Edward Wigglesworth was appointed, he being the first professor.

The course of study during the first century of the College comprised the Greek and Latin authors, logic and philosophy, a very small amount of mathematics and some Hebrew; above all things the students were taught the Holy Scriptures.

At the beginning of the nineteenth century the College broadened its scope and a great progress in literary and scientific research resulted, under the leadership of John Thornton Kirkland. In fact he may be said to have first inspired the professors and students with a high spirit of enterprise and the ambition to have Harvard College the leading institution of its kind in the new country. The generosity of the alumni has made Harvard what it is to-day. The gifts of the Colonial and State government have been meagre, with the exception of one grant of ten thousand dollars a year for ten years voted in 1814 by the Massachusetts Legislature. Of this sum one-fourth was expended in the education of poor students, the rest in building University Hall and a medical school.

The University comprising Harvard College—the law, medical, divinity and dental schools, Lawrence scientific school, museum of comparative zoology, library, astronomical observatory and Bussey Institution—is governed by a corporation, whose legal title is the “President and Fellows of Harvard College.” The corporation consists of the President, five Fellows and the Board of Overseers, thirty-two in number.

Each school or department has a faculty of its own, having immediate charge of its affairs, each faculty a Dean, who is a vice president, the president of the corporation being the presiding officer.

The office of president is simply administrative, his duty being to preside at the meetings of the Fellows, the board of Overseers and the various faculties. There is a body called the Academic Council, composed of the President, professors and assistant professors of the University. It meets once a year to recommend candidates who have undergone examination for degrees. Other important officers are the Bursar, who acts as the Treasurer's agent, receives the money taken in by students for tuition, lodging, etc.; he has charge of renting the college rooms and of paying amounts due on scholarships and prizes. The Registrar is an officer of the college proper, whose office is a sort of detective agency; to him are referred all offences against the college rules detected by the Parietal Committee; he keeps the records of the faculty, prepares all the scales of scholarship and superintends examinations. The Parietal Committee consists of the officers of instruction who live within the college yard and the proctors. Its members might be called the college police. The museums each have Curators, the observatory and botanic garden each a Director; there is also a Secretary of the Board of Overseers and secretaries of the various departments. Instruction is given by professors, assistant professors, lecturers, instructors, tutors and assistants. Since Dr. Kirkland's administration the number of professors have increased threefold. There were then no assistant professors and no lecturers, while now there are fifteen assistant professors and six lecturers. The number of instructors and assistants have increased in much greater proportion, the whole number of teachers in 1825 not exceeding thirty, while at the present time there are over one hundred and seventy.

If we compare with this the increase in the number of students since 1825 we shall have a forcible illustration of the progressive and liberal methods which have ever been

pursued by the authorities of Harvard. An examination of the records shows that in 1825 the whole number of students in the University did not exceed five hundred, while at the present time the number is nearly one thousand four hundred; thus it is seen that while the number of students has only somewhat more than doubled the increase in the number of teachers in the same period is as six to one. With the advent of President Eliot's administration the course of instruction has been radically changed, and in place of the stereotyped course of instruction for the degree of bachelor of arts existing in all the American colleges Mr. Eliot introduced the so-called elective system, in spite of great opposition, not only from outsiders but from many of the fellows and professors; the superiority over the old one soon became apparent, and the advantage it afforded, particularly to those who wished to become specialists, not only overcame all opposition, but made it very popular, both with professors and students.

The number of courses has rapidly increased, there being now over four hundred, with two hundred and seventy recitations and lectures a week, besides thirty-eight hours a week of prescribed courses. The following table compares this with the principal colleges, the figures showing the total hours of instruction given per week:

Yale, - - -	119	Princeton, - - -	75
Michigan, - - -	104	Cornell, - - -	84
Trinity, - - -	65	Vassar, - - -	118
Amherst, - - -	72	Columbia, - - -	110

and shows that Harvard affords more than twice as many hours of instruction per week.

Previous to the civil war Harvard drew its students chiefly from the Southern and New England States. In recent years the establishment of examining committees in the principal cities of the West has considerably increased its popularity there.

It is generally supposed that in order to send a son to Harvard a large income is needed, an entirely erroneous

idea, a good scholar of high character never being obliged to leave the University for want of money. There are one hundred and twenty-five scholarships, which vary in their annual income from forty dollars to three hundred and fifty dollars. They are open to all members of the University, except a few which have peculiar requirements attached by the donors attainable through high scholarships. Besides these scholarships there are many funds, fellowships, memberships and prizes for impecunious and deserving students. These funds are continually increasing and keep pace with the general advance of the University. For the year 1866-67 about eighteen thousand dollars were paid out to aid poor students, while in 1880-81 the amount was forty thousand dollars. Many a fellow enters the freshman class without a penny and sustains himself by pecuniary rewards each year, until he ends his college course by taking the highest honors, carrying with him a neat little sum, sometimes a traveling fellowship, with expenses paid for two years to come and the opportunity to perfect himself in his profession. It is perfectly possible for an impecunious student to live within five hundred dollars for the nine months, the average being about eight hundred dollars. A liberal allowance would be one thousand dollars.

The yard, so familiar to every graduate of Harvard, contains the dormitories and recitation rooms of the college, and is—as it were—the student's home during the four years. The oldest building is Massachusetts Hall, built in 1718 for a dormitory, and was used for this purpose for over one hundred and fifty years, except for a few years during the revolution when the American soldiers occupied it. On the west end is the face of the old college sun dial. Holden Chapel, the next oldest of the college buildings, built in 1741 by the daughter of Samuel Holden, a member of Parliament and Governor of the Bank of England and the head of the English dissenters, who gave the college four hundred pounds to supply a needed chapel. It has preserved its original outward appearance. One of the finest buildings is Matthews, with

sixty suits of the most desirable rooms in college. On the site of Matthews was a brick building erected in 1666 by the "Society for Propagating the Gospel" for the accommodation of Christian students. In the rear of the yard stands Gore Hall, the college library. It is constructed of Quincy granite in the Gothic style of the fourteenth century; over the entrance is a gilt cross, a trophy from the siege of Strasburg in 1745. The library, containing one hundred and ninety-two thousand volumes, is the third largest collection in the country.

The newest building is Sever Hall, built for recitations and lectures. It is a magnificent edifice, one hundred and seventy-seven feet by seventy-five, and eighty feet from ground to roof. One of the oldest and the most popular buildings is Holworthy, built with the money received from a bequest by Sir Matthew Holworthy, a merchant of Hackney, England. It is divided into two suites of three rooms each, running through the building, the two rooms having southern exposure. In addition to these may be mentioned Thayer, Stoughton, Hollis, Weld, Grays and Beck Halls, all dormitories. The present gymnasium, built in 1879 at a cost of one hundred thousand dollars, is the finest and most complete building of its kind in the country. Of the college buildings Memorial Hall stands as the most imposing and magnificent. It is a suitable monument to the sons of Harvard who sacrificed their lives to preserve the Union. The cost of the building was five hundred thousand dollars, being of brick with trimmings of Nova Scotia sandstone. It is divided into a hall, a transept and a theatre, known as Sander's Theatre. The transept contains the memorial tablets. The hall is the student's dining room, accommodating at the table one thousand at one time. At one end an immense stained glass window has emblazoned upon it the arms of the college, the State and the nation. The walls are hung with famous paintings. Eight large stained glass windows on each side were given by various classes. The museum of comparative zoology is one of Harvard's greatest features, and yet is least appreciated by the mass of students. The

collection is second only to the Smithsonian at Washington, ranking with European collections. The great naturalist, Louis Agassiz, was for many years head of this department, and from him it is known as the Agassiz Museum.

The botanical garden covers eight and a half acres of land and contains the finest American herbarium. Besides the herbarium there is a library, a house for the professor, a laboratory, lecture room and conservatory. The library contains four thousand volumes, with many beautifully illustrated books on botany. The conservatory covers a space of three thousand seven hundred and twenty square feet, and the cactus house an area of eight hundred and seventy-five. In the greenhouses alone thirteen thousand different species of plants are cultivated. Right opposite the botanical garden is the astronomical observatory, founded in 1839. It contains an equatorial telescope made in Munich, with an aperture of fifteen inches and a focal length of twenty-two feet six inches, valued at twenty-five thousand dollars; besides this there are many other valuable instruments and a library of three thousand volumes. There are three departments of the University situated out of Cambridge, the medical and dental schools, situated in Boston, and the Bussey Institution in Jamaica Plain. All of these schools are well endowed and rank high in their respective branches. A new building has just been erected for the medical school at a cost of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and is the best for its purpose in the United States. In the last two years the University has added to its list of buildings a new law school and physical laboratory, the latter a most magnificent affair, no expense being spared to make it perfect in every way.

The social side of Harvard life offers many attractions. In addition to the society which Cambridge affords the student, Boston, Brookline, Longwood, Jamaica Plain and other suburbs welcome him, and the polish which a young man obtains by mingling in Boston and Cambridge society is inestimable.

The college societies, from which there are many to select, are a marked feature. The secret society system does not exist there as at other colleges, and a man may belong to many societies, meeting different sets of men, and is not restricted to one society or clique—which he is led to believe superior to all others—as at other institutions.

The oldest societies are the Institute of 1770, Phi Beta Kappa, founded in 1781, and the Hasty Pudding in 1795. The Institute is a sophomore society and consists of fifty to ninety members, the first third comprising what is known as the Dickie, whose is simply one of good fellowship. Phi Beta Kappa is too well known to need mention here.

The Porcellian is a club eligible chiefly to the wealthy students. It has occupied its present quarters for the past fifty-two years and has a library of seven thousand volumes. Its membership roll includes many illustrious names, like Channing, Story, Edward Everett, Prescott, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Motley, Lowell and Sumner.

The Hasty Pudding Club—so called from its custom of eating hasty pudding at the meetings instead of the ordinary bread and milk which formed the supper of the college students in early days of the societies—was organized to promote good fellowship, to afford rational enjoyment and strengthen the ties of friendship. The A. D. Club is an upper class club in the strictest sense of the term, and offers to an exclusive set of men, principally from Boston, the advantages of a regular city club.

Of the Greek letter Alpha Delta Phi, Beta Theta Pi and Delta Phi, the two former having renewed their old organizations, the latter newly established in 1885, and Zeta Psi. The latter was the first of those re-established in 1881, and holds now the most enviable position of any organization in Harvard, being most exclusive in its selection, drawing its members almost entirely from the senior and junior classes and very firmly established. As an example of the many societies open to a student a member of the class of

1883 was a member of the Institute, Porcellian, Hasty Pudding and Zeta Psi.

Harvard offers every facility for a high standard of athletic sports. The Harvard Athletic Association has charge of general athletics, it maintains a fine cinder track one-fifth of a mile in circumference, selects and pays the expenses of the so-called Mott Haven team, which has won the Mott Haven Cup against all competitors for the last four years; the branches of the Athletic association are the different clubs, viz: The baseball, football, boat, cricket, lacrosse and tennis clubs, in each of which there is the 'Varsity team and class teams. One of the greatest events of the year is the class race, occurring in May. From February until the race each class maintains an "eight" in training, and the week before the race the boat house is thronged with classmen watching the five crews and their practice pulls, and discussing their chances and that of the 'Varsity.

The limited space precludes mention of many interesting features of Harvard. For those who seek more details there is much to be found in "Drakes Historic Fields and Mansions of Middlesex," "The Harvard Book," "Harvard and its Surroundings," by Moses King.

CHAS. D. M. COLE,
in Zeta Psi Quarterly.

Correspondence.

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA, *February 12th, 1886.*

Dear Friends and Brothers:—Please find enclosed \$1.50 to pay for my subscription to the KAPPA SIGMA QUARTERLY. It carries me back to old college days, and the dear old Kappa Sigma friends who made my days at college so very happy, some of the happiest of my life. Long may the Fraternity live and prosper is the sincere wish of, I am happy to say, one of its members.

Yours in bonds.

WM. B. FARANT.

PULLMAN'S PALACE CAR COMPANY.

NEW ORLEANS, *February 19th, 1886.*

Dear Editors:—I am in receipt of the January number of the KAPPA SIGMA QUARTERLY, accept my congratulations on your success, for you certainly have a handsome fraternity journal. Reading its pages recalls to memory the many pleasant hours spent in the hall of Nu chapter.

Although it has been some time since I had the pleasure of attending a meeting, I still have the interest of our fraternity at heart, and am always delighted to meet any of its members. With my best wishes for the continued success of the QUARTERLY, I am

Yours in Kappa Sigma,

G. F. KINNEAR.

WAVERLEY, TEXAS, *February 13th, 1886.*

Editors Kappa Sigma Quarterly:

Dear Brothers:—In forwarding my subscription for the QUARTERLY I may be permitted to express my sense of pleasure on receiving so welcome a visitor. I had looked for it for some time as I had heard no news of the Conclave having left the University (the South-Western Pres-

byterian at C'ville Tennessee) soon after the Conclave assembled. I must also beg pardon for delaying my remittance so long and hope you will not attribute it to any thing but as another instance of "procrastination &c." I assure you that though an alumnus (in effect) I am at heart an *active* Kappa Sigma.

I have read and reread every line and thoroughly conned every part of your magazine. I can hope for you the fullest fruition of success in the noble undertaking you have assumed. I say *noble* advisedly for there can be no more praiseworthy and honorable task—none that merits a heartier God speed than the one in which you are engaged, *i. e.* assisting in building up an order whose glorious principles and life-giving truths burst with the dazzling brilliancy of the new risen sun on the poor blind student when ushered through the "Twelfth Gate" into a new world, a world of brotherly love and friendship. No one but one who has experienced the privileges of Kappa Sigma and has been built up and educated in the spirit of a true Greek can testify of its value to the student and the man of affairs in active life for nothing short of experience can so effectually convince one that it is "a g—d t—g m—t a—ly." I have seen enough of the realities of life to know that no task is altogether delightfully interesting, and in the discharge of your duties you may find many rugged places in the path. The fruits of your labors may be slow in ripening, but "be the day short or be the day long, at last it ringeth to even song"—and if the sun seems to stand still I am convinced there are scores of Aarons and Hurs to strengthen and support your weary arms; scores of loyal Kappa Sigmas tried in the furnace of her recent crisis, and not found wanting, but like "the Faithful" true to the Crescent and the Star.

Excuse this scribbling as I am in great haste, and for more reasons than one, must as brother Abell says, "cut it short."

Yours in Fraternity Bonds,

DUNCAN MARTIN, (*Phi.*)

LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA, *January, 1886.*

My Dear Editors:—In compliance with your letter of recent date, requesting for publication the poem I read before the Sixth American Conclave—I beg herewith to enclose a copy of the same.

Allow me this opportunity of thanking you for presenting to the Order a Quarterly so attractive in every way. I have been taking the Journals of several of our sister fraternities, and read them ; but I devour page after page of the articles in the KAPPA SIGMA QUARTERLY like a hungry man would a meal after several days fasting.

The idea of publishing a monthly was suggested some years ago, but discouraged for the reason that it was thought best that the chapters and members should correspond only by circular and letter. That they would be drawn much closer together, and also because we are one of "the most secret of Greek letter fraternities." I am sure the decision of the last Convention was a wise one, and if every member has derived as much pleasure as the writer we would have had the QUARTERLY ten years ago. It certainly deserves the widest circulation, and I am sure almost every mail will bring you new subscribers.

It has been my intention to write you sooner, and hope you will not think me wanting in interest, but my business engages so much of my time, to say nothing of committee work and home letters that I must plead them as my excuses. I now have before me two applications for new chapters, only one of which I shall approve, but both will be forwarded to the rest of the committee for their consideration. I meet a great many club mates in my travels, and most of them take the QUARTERLY, and are delighted with it, and I know of one member who takes over ten copies and sends them where they will be highly appreciated. I think I shall follow his example as I am sure I have many old friends who, whilst they are not Kappa Sigmas themselves, would be glad to get a readable journal and learn of Kappa Sigma's continued prosperity.

I saw a number of our men in Richmond when I was

there, and was pleased to see Kappa Sigma so well represented in the House of Delegates and State Senate. I am indebted to Hon. Pembroke Petit (Zeta) for a seat in the Senate Chamber, and the twenty minutes I was there I saw several of the old University boys. Brother Petit requested me to forward you the subscription price of the QUARTERLY which he handed me, and it is included in the post office money order I enclose.

You have named me I see as your New York agent and I hope after March to be able to devote some time to the interests of the QUARTERLY. You will please send the next number to my New York address, and believe me

Yours faithfully in Kappa Sigma,

S. A. JACKSON.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., *December 17th, 1885.*

Editors Kappa Sigma Quarterly:

Brothers:—I offer you my sincere congratulation upon the successful publication of the QUARTERLY. It is a necessity I hardly see how the fraternity has done without for so long a time, and I rejoice to see this necessity at last so completely met by the very ably edited Journal that has been presented to the public. It is a production alike creditable to the Editors and the fraternity. I believe it will give new life to Kappa Sigma and be productive of the most beneficial results.

With fraternal regard to you individually, and my best wishes for the unbounded success of the QUARTERLY, I am

Yours in Kappa Sigma,

W. G. McADOO, JR.

(From General Featherston.)

HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS., *January 19th, 1886.*

Kappa Sigma Quarterly:

Gentlemen:—I send you herewith a postal order for one dollar and fifty cents, the annual subscription to the

KAPPA SIGMA QUARTERLY. I received the January number, and read it with pleasure. Wishing you that success of which your January number shows you to be so entirely worthy, I am

Very truly, your friend,

W. S. FEATHERSTON.

TURKEY COVE, VA., *January, 1885.*

Dear Quarterly:—The personal mention of a number of the alumni suggested to me that it might be well for some alumnus of each chapter to interest himself in gathering information respecting the alumni of his chapter and furnishing the same in proper form to the QUARTERLY for publication. It seems to me that, with the proper men engaged, this department could be made a highly interesting one to the fraternity at large, inasmuch as alumni would thus gain much information respecting their former associates. For myself I can say that nothing would make more interesting reading.

I hope that the *plan* at least will meet your approval whatever *means* your greater experience may suggest for putting it into operation. I enclose what I have collected hoping that it may be of use to you. As I wish to collect all the information I can in regard to Omicron's alumni for the use of the chapter, as well as for my own gratification, I will thank you to request them to communicate to me anything of interest respecting our alumni.

Fraternally Yours,

CHAS. RICHARDSON.

[Mr. Richardson's idea is good, and we hope it will meet with the support it deserves. The "personal" department if well developed will be very interesting, but it can only be brought to that point by the members at large adopting such a plan as Bro. R. suggests.—EDS.]

Greek News.

Speaker Carlile (House of Representatives) is a Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

The Ohio Delta chapter of Phi Kappa Psi gave a banquet (January 29th) to Gov. J. B. Foraker, who is a member of that order.

The forty-first annual convention of the Delta Upsilon (anti-secret) Fraternity was held in Rochester, N. Y., October 1885.

Phi Delta Theta, at Vanderbilt, is having trouble over the expulsion of a member on the charge of cheating in examination. The faculty and the father of the young man have taken the matter up.

Beta Theta Pi is trying hard to regain the place which she has been steadily losing for two years. Last spring they were obliged to leave their house, but at present they are living in a rented dwelling. As a society man recently remarked, "she is nobly holding her own on the bottom shelf."—*Cornell University Correspondent Delta Upsilon Quarterly.*

At the 1885 convention of Sigma Alpha Epsilon a new form of government was adopted. "The features of the new system are a concentration of the highest power, except the convention, in a single man, who is assisted by a council of five; a division of the fraternity into Provinces, with a Grand Chapter over each Province, with powers as to the Province similar to those exercised heretofore by the Grand Chapter over the whole fraternity. By this means the duties of each department are clearly defined, and the responsibility is divided. Each Grand Chapter is charged with the proper management of its Province, and

looks for direction to the Eminent Supreme Archon. This officer, assisted by his counsel, supervises the whole system, and is himself amenable to the Convention, the supreme power."

A man who cannot pay his debts is to be pitied and assisted, a man who will not—well, he can't borrow any more of us. Business, gentlemen, is business. Every subscriber, every chapter should pay THE SHIELD what is due it. It gives us great pleasure to say that we have as a rule found our subscribers prompt and reliable. But we should like to hear from the delinquents. No dollar that we get in any way benefits us personally. And when we give our time and attention, we believe every Phi Kappa Psi ought to at least pay his just debts. So walk up to the office and pay your shining silver dollars, gentlemen. —*Phi Kappa Psi.*

In the February number (which reached us in March) of the *S. A. E. Record*, the editor deals out some plain talk to his correspondents. He says: "If with three months to gather up information and put it on paper, you can't send us a letter for *The Record*, then your chapter is in a bad way, or there is something radically wrong with the man whose duty it is to write the letters for publication. Every chapter should be represented in every issue we send out. And it is a shame that they are not.

Consider for a moment what the result of your neglect will be with the Alumni. Do you suppose it is possible for them to keep up their interest in your welfare when *you* who are *immediately* concerned in it are careless and indifferent. You are woefully wanting in logic if you think so."

The January number (reached us in March) of the Delta Kappa Epsilon *Quarterly* contains an able article on the "Decoration of Greek Lodges." The writers (for there are two) lost sight of one very important item—that of raising the money for such elaborate decorations as they advise.

They should read that old Virginia receipt for rabbit pie, which begins: "First catch your rabbit."

The University of West Virginia has become of interest to fraternity men. The faculty having repealed all anti-fraternity laws. We hear that Delta Tau Delta is trying to enter.

The fraternities at the University of Georgia have bound their members to enter into no political combination during the present year.

Alpha chapter of Sigma Nu, located at Virginia Military Institute, has succumbed before the stringent anti-fraternity laws recently enacted by the Directors of that institution.

The December number of the *Golden Key* (Kappa Kappa Gamma) contains a review of volume one, number one, of the *QUARTERLY*. The editor of the *Key* criticises rather severely the typographic errors found in that issue, but as the criticism is just we can only regret the cause of it.

The *Golden Key* is ably edited and in the department devoted to exchanges there is shown a high order of critical power.

"Kappa Sigma has recently established chapters at the Maine Agricultural College, Centenary College, Louisiana, and the Maryland Military and Naval Academy. In none of these institutions is Kappa Sigma likely to have a rival, as the institutions are below the standard demanded by the more select fraternities."—*Kappa Alpha Journal*.

[Phi Kappa Sigma, Delta Kappa Epsilon and Chi Phi had chapters at Centenary College, but they were killed by faculty opposition and the turbulent times of the civil war. Beta Theta Pi has a chapter at Maine State College and there is a chapter of some fraternity, whose name we

cannot recall, at the Maryland Military and Naval Academy. If the above named fraternities do not come under the head of "select," we confess a weakness for bad company. Better information on the part of the *Journal* will, we hope, lead to more courteous expressions.—ED.]

A Plea for the Old Books.

Lord Coleridge, in an address before a highly intellectual and critical audience, impressed upon his hearers the vast importance of a man keeping up his reading after having left college. He pointed out, in vigorous and eloquent language, the benefits to be accrued by the business man pursuing such a course, and finally quoted instances which proved conclusively the value and soundness of his remarks.

Too many young men who leave the university to enter upon a business career, fall into the common error and belief that having gone through the course and taken their degree, their education has been completed, such ideas as these are not entertained by the professional man, as his life is necessarily one of long and close study, but the business man is prone to indulge in such thoughts, simply because he fails to see wherein an hour devoted to classical reading will increase his business transactions to the amount of a single dollar. Conversation with several college bred (Heaven save the mark) business men, revealed the existence of this postulate, further; they say that the life of a business man does not admit of a continuance of their reading, that when the day of business is over they are so fatigued by the consequent distracting causes, that they "cannot compose their minds" to anything requiring great thought; and with many more just such fallacious arguments do they satisfy themselves, until at last they firmly believe that it is an actual impossibility to follow

the bent of their inclinations (?) by reading over the dear old books that were so valuable during days gone by.

Assuming that a man is physically weary; can anything be more mentally refreshing than, once away from business, to take down the well worn volumes, the companions of many an hour spent with sported oak in college quarters? The sweet thoughts of bygone days thus aroused, surging over his soul, and memories of the lecture hall, the campus, and the gymnasium, with their pleasant associations, lifting him out of his weariness, and bearing him back to the days when he listened attentively in the one, joined in the orgies on the other, and swung the clubs and dumb-bells in the third, till his face glowed with health and vigor, caused by the exercise. He feels the old thrills of delight, even as he sits in his chair musing over the past. Fancies himself again occupying a seat in the shell of the winning eight, can hear the gurgle of the water, the clink-clank, clink-clank of the oars, can see the waving of hats and handkerchiefs, and hear the excited cheering of the people as he is borne, with the rest of his companions, through the crowds upon the shoulders of the enthusiastic collegians. Then the after-thoughts. The fraternity meetings around the board convival. What food for thought such retrospection serves up! Can any Kappa Sigma say that these reveries are not refreshing, re-in vigorating? Will any refuse to adopt the course that affords such genuine pleasure? The living over of old days. All this is a digression, to return.

It is a conceded fact that no class of business men are so hurried through life as traveling salesmen, and when one of that ilk finds time for study, the natural inference is, all others could. A case in point: Travelling through one of the southern states a few years ago it became necessary to put up for the night in a small town at the hotel of which was found one of this almost ubiquitous class. With his samples spread around him, reclining in one chair, his feet in another, and a copy of one of Otto's grammars in his hand was seated a Kappa Sigma. In the

conversation which ensued it was gathered that the party in question had made it a point to read a portion each day of some one of the languages taken up by him at college, though already master of the tongue he was studying. Pope's remark of "a little learning, etc.," had lost none of its significance, none of its force. The reason which prompts the citation of the above is obvious.

If a college course is beneficial at all (this none will gainsay). If the training then received was worth the time and money devoted to it, surely no graduate will doubt the value of continuing in the road so well paved. The keeping up of one's reading will increase one's knowledge. It will extend a man's influence as a citizen. It will give him an enviable reputation as a scholar. And it will be of inestimable service to him in the acquisition of new languages, which valuable accomplishment opens up to him hidden mines of literary wealth, heretofore unexplored fields of prose and poetry, containing beauties of priceless worth,

"For which the speech of England hath no name."

Don't lay away the dog-eared, bethumbed volumes, around which cluster so many precious recollections. If only "for the sake of Auld Lang Syne," take them down. Don't let the hurry and worry of business tempt you to the utterance of that specious sophism: "The world owes me a living and I'm bound to have it," for the world owes no man a living until he has done something to beautify it, and when the question is asked: To what is man indebted for the power that is given him to discharge his debt to the world? the answer comes unhesitatingly, forcibly and earnestly: To the schools, colleges and universities. Then, as you owe a double debt, discharge it by expanding the intellect that has been unfolded by the teachings received by books so you can more fully comprehend the many thousands of literary revelations that are in store for you, and let your watchword be

"Vestigia nulla restrorsum."

EXCERPTA.

On the Mysterious Disappearance of Wooglin & Co.

The following poem was written by Miss Minnetta T. Taylor, of the *Golden Key*, upon the disappearance of the skull, dragon, owl, &c., from the cover of the *Beta Theta Pi*:

Up from the Western meadows,
We send a querulous cry:
Where has the portrait of Wooglin gone
From the *Beta Theta Pi*?

Why are we cheated of Wooglin
With his cranium lofty and bare,
With his rigid, eyeless orbits set
In a bland though meaningless stare?

Will he never return, this Wooglin,
With his wide, complacent grin,
With his nose too short for character,
And his bony, dimpleless chin?

Did he die of hydrophobia?
Or rather of dog on the brain—
Or eat the owl for a young spring fowl
And break his jaws in twain?

He never was healthy looking,
But he kept up a smile of cheer,
And he was too young for his jaws to be sprung,
This many and many a year.

And where is the festive dragon,
That we fear was "out on a tear,"
If we judge from the look of his eyes on the book,
And the grapes that dangled in air?

Will it never, ah! never be told us
If he was a circus-bill beast,
Or only a vision of jim-jams
That a Beta had after a feast?

Weren't they all a fearful example
To teach the youth of the land
To shun the roll of the flowing bowl,
And join the temperance band ?
Didn't they show that a Beta,
If he drank the juice of the grape,
Would lose his hair and take the air
In Wooglin's bald-headed shape ?
That he'd dream of dogs and horned owls
And eat the same with glee,
While a dragon insane would prance on his brain
Through all eternity ?
Naught from the silence answers,
But the gloom of the winter sky
Shadows the plain blue covers
Of the *Beta Theta Pi*.
Gone are the smiling cadaver,
The dogs and the dragon so bold;
And we say with a sigh as we put the book by:
"They took them in out of the cold."*

*NOTE:—Since we wrote the above the *Beta Theta Pi* has explained that the owl picked the skull up and took it off! We had imagined that in a moment of indiscretion Wooglin might have picked the owl up, and by reflex action the owl might have carried him off (to the tomb); but that the bird should be the principal in such an affair as that—

Personals.

B. P. Sanders, (O.) is an M. D. at Saltville, Virginia.

—*Horton*, (O.) is practicing law at Aberdeen, Miss.

J. P. Lewis, (O.) is a cattle dealer at Gonzales, Texas.

J. F. Carter, (O.) is studying law at his home in Texas.

A. Hamilton, (Phi), is in the cotton business at Meridian, Miss.

A. P. Kelly, (O.) is practicing law at Jeffersonville, Virginia.

Duncan Martin, (Phi), is practicing law at Waverly, Texas.

S. Petree, (O.) is studying law at his home, Fincastle, Tennessee.

A. J. Honaker, (O.) is in business at his home, Farmersville, Texas.

S. V. F. Richmond, (O.) is in business with his father at Jonesville, Virginia.

Thomas E. Latham, (O.) is merchandizing at his home, Staggs Creek, N. C.

N. H. Gilmer, (O.) has charge of an academy at Lebanon, Russell County, Va.

H. P. Vories, (Gamma and Omicron) is practicing law at Georgetown, Ky.

C. B. Anderson, (Nu), is head book keeper at 708 Main St., Lynchburg, Va.

L. B. Horton, (O), is studying medicine and will practice at Estillville, Virginia.

R. N. Copenhaver, (O.) has charge of a flourishing school at Wabash, Giles County, Virginia.

E. W. Pennington, (Gamma and Zeta) is a successful lawyer at the Jonesville bar, Lee County, Va.

J. Clinton Kinnear, (Nu), is in the Lynchburg Post Office. Fruits of democratic administration.

Charles Willoughby, (Gamma), is in the employ of the U. S. Government, and is stationed at Jonesville, Va.

R. W. Glenn, (Omega), is employed in the wholesale grocery house of John Hurst & Co., Clarksville, Tenn.

H. M. Dunlop, (Kappa), is prospecting in California. He writes us that it is quite probable that he will reside there, in the future.

W. S. Ayers, (O.) is at Vanderbilt University studying law. Brothers Ayers and Aston were largely instrumental in reviving Kappa chapter.

G. P. Minas, (O.) is post master at Newport, Tennessee. Brother M. was the first postmaster appointed by President Cleveland in Tennessee.

W. H. Aston, (O.) is in business at his home, Meadow View, Virginia. He is a zealous Kappa Sigma and has done the order much service.

A. M. Goins, (Gamma) editor of the *Lee County Sun*, is also a law student under Gen. A. L. Pridmore, (Gamma) Ex. M. C., at Jonesville, Lee County, Va.

J. I. Hurt our efficient W. G. T. has been forced to leave Hampden Sidney College, on account of ill health. His address, until further notice, will be Abingdon, Va.

J. L. Glenn, (Omega), is engaged in the raising of blooded stock at Clarksville, Tenn. Though quite young in the business Brother Glenn is meeting with marked success.

G. F. Kinner, (Nu), is with Pullman's Palace Car Company, New Orleans, Louisiana. Brother K. will prove a valuable addition to the circle of Kappa Sigma in the crescent city.

Brothers possessing any information of interest respecting the alumni of Omicon, will confer a favor by communicating the same to Chas. Richardson, Turkey Cove, Lee County, Va.

Jos. V. Kelley, (O.), has retired from the editorial control of the *Clinch Valley News*; before doing so he gave the QUARTERLY a notice which we republish in this number. The *News* loses an able man.

R. E. Bolling, (Sigma), whose advertisement appears in this number, has opened an extensive clothing establishment in Abingdon, Virginia, and invites all visiting and resident Kappa Sigmas to call on him.

Ed. Law Rogers, (A. and Z.), the actor who is known upon the stage as Leslie Edmunds is now filling an engagement with the Countess Janish Company. While in Richmond, Virginia, the *State* paid him the following compliment:

"Mr. Leslie Edmunds, who plays the 'Brother to Andrea,' is a Baltimorean and is a graceful and finished actor. He has been on the stage a good many years, and is in demand in all first-class companies. The Wednesday Club had not been organized when Mr. Edmunds left Baltimore."

Miscellaneous.

PRESS NOTICES.

We have received the second number of the KAPPA SIGMA QUARTERLY, published at Wytheville, Virginia, in the interests of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity, as its name implies. It is published at the Job Office of Mr. D. A. St. Clair, and is equal in artistic execution to St. Clair's best performance. It is edited by Messrs. F. H. Terry, Taylor Gleaves and R. T. Brownrigg. The number before us contains fifty-five pages the leading articles being; first, the conclusion of a sketch of the Hon. Jeff. Davis, begun in the first number by Mrs. Prof. Newell, and second; a poem, the Star and Crescent by Lyon G. Tyler. We trust this new candidate for public favor may be well sustained by the Fraternity, at least.—*Clinch Valley News.*

It is the first number of the KAPPA SIGMA QUARTERLY we have ever seen. We are glad to welcome it. The names of its Editors furnish a sufficient guarantee for its worth and success. It is published at Wytheville, Virginia, the general agent residing in New York. The magazine opens well, giving a list of contents, which shows an acquaintance with the topics and measure now rife in the Fraternity world. The principal features of this number are well selected clippings from other Greek magazines, some good Chapter Letters, personals and pleasant reminiscences. We wish every success to this journalistic venture of Kappa Sigma.—*Alpha Tau Omega Palm.*

PLAIN WORDS TO TRUE "ZETES."

In the December number of the *Zeta Psi Quarterly* the editor, under the above head, deals out some plain truths that should be listened to by Kappa Sigmas as well as "Zetes".—We quote:

"This is not the place in which to detail grievances, but it may be profitable to direct the attention of the brethren to one or two principle sources of the magazine's embarrassment.

The Lack of Literary Contributions.

Since the magazine was founded the work of furnishing material for its pages has largely devolved upon less than a dozen brethren. All efforts to extend the list of contributors have failed, although we have a living membership of two thousand five hundred. Nothing more need be said by way of emphasizing this point.

The Delay in Forwarding Chapter Letters.

The present number of the magazine contains only seven Chapter Letters, although our chapters number twenty-one. These figures tell their own story. The chapters have been earnestly requested to forward their letters by a certain date, but, it will be seen, the invitation has by no means been generally accepted. We do not desire to enlarge on this point, and we can believe that some of the chapters have had good reason for delaying their letters. But it is self-evident that no publication, such as ours, can hope to succeed without the hearty co-operation of our undergraduate members of the respective chapters. It is for *them* to determine whether the mouth-piece of the fraternity is to flourish or fail. Those who are editing and managing the magazine are all busy men, who have little spare time to devote to such work. They have no axes to grind in its pages; they give their time and services gratis. Hence they feel they have a right to demand that their brethren shall "come up to the help" of an enterprise in which we all have the same interest. If each chapter would do its *best* for the magazine, its success would be assured. Each chapter numbers, among its alumni, members, men who are able to furnish most acceptable articles in prose or verse. Let the chapters put themselves in communication with such men, and rest not until they have secured contributions for the magazine from their prominent members, from whom we should all be glad to hear.

And, just so, let each chapter canvass for subscriptions among its own "boys"—the old ones, and the ones not so old. The fraternity "expects every man to do his duty." A few brothers cannot successfully conduct the magazine. If it is to live and prosper, it must command the willing service of *all*.

EARLY FOXHOUND DEVELOPMENT.

The following article from the pen of a well known brother will be of interest to some of our sport loving Kappa Sigmas:

"For a number of years I have bred and hunted foxhounds of nearly every known variety, and have carefully noted their average period of maturity as based upon the development of useful hunting qualities. Two years is about the average age of dogs heretofore bred in New England, when they exhibit qualities worthy of being called useful; but the introduction of the Byron hound has materially changed this date, and not unfrequently now, dogs of a year old will drive a fox squarely from daylight till dark, though of course they do not reach perfection till they are three or four. A striking instance of this early development of the Byron breed was witnessed by me the other day. I was foxhunting with an old New England bred hound, and my Byron puppy Bugle, seven months old. The old dog was working up a cold track some distance off, when the pup, while running a thick cover, and working in grand style, suddenly threw up his head, snuffed a couple of times, and rushed into the cover. Immediately he began baying excitedly, and went off at a tearing gait straight away from me. There was just enough snow for good running, and when I reached the point where the dog started I found a fresh fox track and a place hollowed out in the snow under a pine tree where brother reynard had been ruthlessly aroused by the infant Bugle, from his morning's nap. The pup ran rapidly and was soon out of hearing, and it was not till after an hour's

hard tramp that I came upon him in a swamp still driving the fox furiously. The old dog at this time joined in the chase, but was always from half a mile to a mile behind the pup. At one time I saw the fox in a field with the pup nipping at his hind quarters, but as soon as cover was reached the fox slipped away from him. The chase was in hearing after this most of the time till 3 p. m., when I broke through the ice in crossing a large brook, getting my rubber boots full of ice water and consequently had to go home. The old dog turned up that night but the pup did not, and was found the next day at a farm house eight miles from home, where he had tied up at dusk the evening before. This I call phenomenal running for a seven months pup, because he started the fox, and practically drove him the entire day, for he was always a good distance ahead of the old dog after the latter joined in the chase. Bugle was bred by Rhodes Bros., of Pioneer, Pa., and his sire, Drive, has a record in the *Forest and Stream* of last winter of having run down, caught and killed, two red foxes in one day. I consider the Byron hounds not only the earliest in development, but the surest and quickest drivers we have in this country.

DR. HEFFENDER.

[The foregoing is from the pen of a well known and successful huntsman of this city, who has captured several splendid specimens of the reynard breed during the last few weeks. Portsmouth possesses several skilful sportsmen but none more successful on the trail or unerring with the rifle than the gentleman whose graphic portrayal of "Bugle's" remarkable hunting qualities is given above.—*Portsmouth, N. H.* ——.]

Editorials.

CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP.

We have frequently been questioned as to why the fraternity did not issue a certificate of membership. We have, it is true, a "Travelling Card," but that does not answer the purpose; what is wanted is a handsomely gotten up certificate that measures about thirteen (13) by seventeen (17) inches; something that when framed will be a suitable wall companion to your college diploma.

We have consulted engravers and printers and find that a highly artistic certificate, printed in the fraternity tints, on lichen paper that closely resembles parchment, can be gotten up at a maximum cost of one hundred dollars (\$100) per thousand.

Now we suggest that the Supreme Executive Committee purchase, say one thousand of these certificates, and after signing and attaching the fraternity seal to them, distribute among the chapters to be countersigned by the chapter officers and sold to the members; the money accruing from such sales to be forwarded to the W. G. T. Leave the purchase of a certificate optional with the members, but make it so handsome that every one will be glad to pay the small fee necessary to owning one. The question of issuing these certificates is at present being considered by some of the best fraternities, and the plan we suggested above has been adopted by others. Let the Supreme Executive Committee take hold of the matter, and if we are authorized to prepare the certificate we can safely guarantee to produce one that every member will be proud to possess.

BALTIMORE UNIVERSITY.

We received an invitation to the annual commencement of the school of medicine of the Baltimore University, and

see from it that Dr. H. J. Coffroth (Xi) fills the chair of Physiology in that institution. Kappa Sigmas who contemplate studying medicine will do well to examine the many advantages offered by this university.

CHAPTER SUBSCRIPTION.

Some of our Kappa Sigma chapters have set an example that it would be well for the others to follow; that is, taking a copy of the *QUARTERLY* for filing in the chapter hall. By adopting this method each chapter will possess a brief history of the Fraternity, and by a reference to this file all disputes as to the location and general standing of sister chapters can be readily settled. We hope the chapters will appreciate the importance of thus preserving their own and others record and at once order one or more copies for chapter use.

ST. CLAIR'S PRINTING OFFICE.

In this number will be found the advertisement of D. A. ST. CLAIR, *Kappa Sigma Printer*, and publisher of the *Quarterly*. Mr. St. Clair has, at considerable expense, in the purchase of engravings, prepared himself to do Kappa Sigma printing of all descriptions, and solicits a trial order from the various Chapters and Members.

As an artistic printer Mr. St. Clair ranks second to none in the United States; his work has been on exhibition at the principal World's Fairs and numerous are the diplomas and certificates of merit that he has received.

Specimens of his work are now on exhibition at the "Caxton Exhibition," London, England, and the "Paper and Printing Trades' Journal" compliments them extravagantly, thoroughly recognizing his work's perfection.

We hope it will be the pleasure of all Kappa Sigmas to extend their patronage to Mr. St. Clair, and they can

always rest assured that the work, when received, will be fully up to their expectations.

JULY NUMBER.

Our next number, which will appear between the first and tenth of July, will find many of the Chapters in vacation. In view of this fact, we want the Correspondents to forward us the home addresses of all members who will be absent from the Chapter Hall at that time.

We would also suggest that this will be a convenient time for delinquent subscribers to pay up. The amount due is small, but the aggregate of those small sums is to pay the expenses of this publication; and we sincerely hope there will be no further delay in forwarding the amount due by each subscriber.

PI CHAPTER.

We beg to introduce to the Chapters and Members at large, an old friend, who, having gone through a period of hibernation, has bloomed out with the strength and vigor of youth. We refer to Pi Chapter at West Virginia University; which, shortly after its first organization, was virtually killed by Faculty laws, but a glance at its Chapter letter, which appears in this issue, will show, that upon the abolition of those unjust laws, Pi at once sprung into a vigorous existence.

Forever and Forever.

I think of all thou art to me,
 I dream of what thou cans't not be,
 My life is cursed with thoughts of thee,
 Forever and forever.

My heart is full of grief and woe;
 I see thy face where'er I go;
 I would alas! it were not so;
 Forever and forever!

Perchance if we had never met,
 I had been spared this mad regret,
 This endless striving to forget,
 Forever and forever.

Perchance if thou wert far away,
 Did I not see thee day by day,
 I might again be blithe and gay,
 Forever and forever!

Ah, no! I could not bear the pain
 Of never seeing thee again;
 I cling to thee with might and main
 Forever and forever!

Ah, leave me not! I love but thee!
 Blessing or curse, which e'er thou be,
 Oh! be as thou hast been to me,
 Forever and forever.

TOSTI.

Chapter Letters.

LAMBDA CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE.

It is with pleasure that I undertake the task, assigned me by Lambda, of writing a letter for the QUARTERLY; and in accordance with your request, I shall attempt to give a brief history of the chapter. I have been unable to get the exact numbers, but give them as accurately as possible.

Brother Chas F. Humes, the founder of the chapter, now a promising young lawyer of this city, was initiated at Abingdon, Virginia, January, 1880. In the following May, T. S. Vaden became a lawful and upright Kappa Sigma, and before the end of the same year, a small but select band of eight had become sharers in the benefits of our beloved fraternity. In the year 1881, there were seven initiates, and in 1882, seventeen. I have failed to find the exact number of members belonging to Lambda, but know it to be about one hundred. We have always been very particular about whom we received into fellowship, consequently our number of active members has often been small. More than twenty members of Lambda have graduated at the University of Tennessee, most of them with distinction. The very best workers in the literary societies have been Kappa Sigmas, and all who have graduated have held high positions as officers in the battalion of cadets. Until two years ago it was the custom of the two literary societies of the University to give public exhibitions each year. In these, members of our fraternity always took a high stand. When the State Oratorical Association was organized a few years since, brother W. I. Thomas was elected president of the association. In the first contest at Nashville, May 25th, 1883, brother C. F. Humes was one of the orators. In the next contest, brother D. R. Coward was elected to represent one of the literary societies here, but, after making all preparations, was

unable to be present. In the last contest, brother J. N. Fisher was elected to fill the same position, but was prevented from being present by the sudden death of his father.

The literary societies give, each year, a number of gold medals for proficiency in oratory, debate, declamation and composition. Our men have not failed to carry off a fair share of these honors, Some of our number having left us at the end of last term, we have at present only ten active members, but these are fully alive to the interests of the fraternity, and have its welfare uppermost in their hearts. Meetings are held regularly, and are faithfully attended, there being a literary feature in addition to the regular order of exercises. I should like to give some alumni notes this time, but, for fear of consuming too much space, will defer them till the next letter.

I hope to be able very soon to send you a list of new subscribers, for I am sure many absent members of our chapter will subscribe so soon as they learn of its publication. Some of them are at quite a distance from us, and do not yet so much as know of its existence, but I shall soon notify all within my reach.

All the members of Lambda join me in a fraternal greeting to the editors of the *QUARTERLY*, and all who have tasted of the sweets of Kappa Sigma.

Yours fraternally,

J. N. BOGART.

CHI CHAPTER.

PURDUE UNIVERSITY, LA FAYETTE, INDIANA.

The time has again rolled around for another letter for the *QUARTERLY*, and this time we are going to get in on time.

In the last Sigma Chi magazine a letter from Delta Delta chapter informed us that we were somewhat flattened but were still living in hope. We do not know how

they got such valuable information nor do we care; but we take great pleasure in saying to them that they are mistaken and must, hereafter hunt a better source for information concerning Chi.

Chi is still here and has come to stay, although brother Mutz leaves us in the beginning of the spring term, and in him we lose a true and good Kappa Sigma; we feel quite sure that his place will be filled by several more new men who will be an honor to Kappa Sigma in general, and Chi in particular.

Chi is anxiously looking forward for the time to come when she can come out openly and show her colors, however, the time is not far off now and we will all hail it with a good old Kappa Sigma welcome. I am told by brother J. I. Hurt that every quarter of Kappa Sigma horizon is aglow. Now that is the best news we could hear, and all say, "Let the good work go on", and we will try and keep the western end of the string agoing, though we can't do much until next year. It has been rumored about the college that some of the students are trying to get a chapter of Phi Kappa Psi, but so far we do not think they have succeeded.

Some of the various college honors have already fallen upon some of our men and we think there is no reason why we should not expect more in the near future. Brother Boyd is to be one of the declaimers for the annual entertainment of the Carlyle Literary Society, and your humble servant was elected as one of the orators from the same society, but on account of past sickness was compelled to withdraw, not having time to make up lost work and to prepare for the same. Chi also holds three of the offices in the society, and is also represented in the Irving Society by brother Lewis, who is critic. Brother Lilly is on the staff of our college paper, *The Purdue*, so you see we have several fingers in the pie. Last but not least, we can claim some of the fair sex on our side and of whom we are very proud.

Chi joins all Kappa Sigma in welcoming Pi chapter

back within the ranks as an active chapter, and wish her all possible success. We all join in sending love to every true Kappa Sigma.

AUGUSTUS RUFFNER.

PSI CHAPTER.

MAINE STATE COLLEGE, ORONO, MAINE.

Once more the time has come for me to render some account of the position of Psi. We shall have twelve of our old members here this term, and will take three or four more. Brothers Blagden and Ruth are not with us yet, but will be sometime this term, they say. We have been forced to work under rather unfavorable circumstances this term, so far, on account of our chapter rooms. We are having them thoroughly refinished and furnished, and they will be in condition to occupy about the first of April. Then we will try to straighten our affairs into the proper channel. Everything is about the same here this term as last, with the exception of the addition of a few more students, and a slight change in society feeling, which would greatly benefit the institution, should it continue to grow, as we sincerely hope it may.

Hoping to furnish something for the next issue besides a mere letter, I remain

Fraternally,

H. A. McNALLY.

KAPPA CHAPTER.

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE,

In this day of improvement and progress strange things are happening, but none stranger than the fact that I was chosen to succeed brother Arthur Marks as correspondent to the QUARTERLY.

Notwithstanding this dire calamity Kappa still flourishes, we have taken in one more man since last report.

On last Thursday night Jno. R. Wilson was put through the "grand bumper" degree safe and sound.

Brother Latham of Omicron is now in the law department preparing himself to be a judge, president, or something on that order. Brother Frank Statton has left us and gone to his home in Lebanon. We feel his loss but try to make up for it as best we can. Still another loss is at our door, brother Arthur Marks has accepted a position as consular clerk and will sail for Europe in a few weeks. We congratulate brother M. with sad hearts, all the time thinking of our own loss.

Brother O'Neal of Lambda paid us a flying visit about Christmas. He said he thought he would come back soon to make Nashville his home. Brother W. B. Thompson of Omega was in the city last week, but is now in Sewanee preparing to take the Inter-Collegiate medal, the contest for which comes off about the first of May. Brother Montague formerly of Omicron now of Cumberland University, Lebanon Tennessee, has been elected to represent one of Lebanon's literary societies in the contest, so you see that Tennessee Kappa Sigmas are coming to the front in the contest for honors.

Since our last report we have commenced to have literary exercises in the chapter, and the gigantic efforts of our intellect are simply immense.

Kappa chapter is now thoroughly in earnest and we hope by next June to have our roll enlarged by the names of three or four good men. We all were carried away by the last QUARTERLY, may she ever continue thus.

J. A. CRAGWALL.

ZETA CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

Zeta has but one fault to find with you and that is she cannot welcome your bright face oftener, her heart gladdens, however, when she realizes what is in store for her with your next appearance. In a candid spirit of criticism

Zeta through her chosen medium of expression, begs leave to say to the editors, that she was forcibly struck with the marked spirit of progressive improvement, both in style and subject matter as manifested in the second issue of the *QUARTERLY*, compared with the first. It is not our province to discourse upon their comparative merits; you editors are better judges of that than we ourselves; this being only by way of encouragement, as well as proud recognition of Kappa Sigma merit.

Since our last communication one more brother has been added to our ranks. This most fortunate of individuals is Virginus H. Harrison of Petersburg, a graduate of Emory and Henry college. "To know him is to love him," and Zeta proudly holds him out to the Kappa Sigma world as a well earned trophy.

Brothers Jackson and Clinton Kinnear, the former of New York, the latter of Lynchburg, Virginia, have paid us flying visits since last writing. We wish such brothers would visit us oftener, they serve greatly to fan the flames of enthusiasm.

Examinations have exercised their tyrannical sway for the past two months, over our studious brotherhood; so little has transpired, save the dull routine of daily duty, with the disappearance of this cloud Zeta hopes to shine forth more brilliant than before.

But little Kappa Sigma news reaches us outside the pages of the *QUARTERLY*; therefore we hail its coming with delight.

A. E. W.

OMEGA CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH, SEWANEE, TENNESSEE.

Omega is about to begin work again after a vacation of three months. The Lent term of the University begins on March 18th, and with it fraternity work.

During vacation there is necessarily no chapter news;

so this short communication is all that can be furnished for this issue of the *QUARTERLY*.

W. B. THOMPSON, JR.

RHO CHAPTER.

NORTH GA. AGL. COLLEGE, DAHLONEGA, GA.

As the representative of Rho, it becomes my pleasant duty to acquaint the fraternity with our progress and prospects.

Rho Chapter was founded by Bro. Ed. L. Sutton in the winter of 1885. The necessity of a new chapter had been agitated some months before, and Bro. Sutton's energy and assiduity soon brought the matter to a culmination, and Rho chapter of Kappa Sigma was constituted among the fraternities of this college; in a short time Rho was able to boast of eight excellent members; but our membership has been very capricious since then. Bro. Sutton was called away to a distant city; Bro. Rawlins and Martin failed to return to school; so that the commencement of the last scholastic year found Rho with only four men; but all were brave and determined and before two months had expired we enlisted two brave and worthy members in our ranks. We have now a brilliant prospect for an excellent membership this term, and the dignity of Kappa Sigma will be maintained at all hazards. Kappa Sigma is well represented in our society debates. On the champion debate between the Phi Mu and Decora societies for next June there are two Sigma Alpha Epsions and two Kappa Sigmas. On the Phi Mu spring term Publique there are three Kappa Sigmas, and on the Decora spring term Publique there is one.

Kappa Sigma is also very well represented in the military department, though not as well as it deserves. The following are its officers: J. P. Stribling, 1st Lieutenant Co. "A."; J. H. Phillips, color-Sergeant; H. B. Cobb, 1st Sergeant Co. "B."; C. D. McRae, Seageant-major; E. C. Cartledge, 1st Corporal Co. "A."

Evidently a portion of Bro. E. L. Sutton's former letter in reference to the two candidates for initiation was misconstrued. It was stated in the *QUARTERLY* that "they failed to return to college," and it should have been that they failed to appear for initiation.

The *QUARTERLY* is very much admired by all of our members, its neat appearance and newsy items are delightful to all, and we welcome it with unfeigned joy.

More anon,

W. T. SHOCKLEY.

PHI CHAPTER.

S. W. P. UNIVERSITY, CLARKSVILLE, TENNESSEE.

Since my last letter to the *QUARTERLY* our chapter, Phi, has been earnestly at work and has met with success in all her efforts. We endeavor to take in young men who will probably attend the university several years, and in this way we are now certain of having a good chapter at the opening of the next session.

Our latest initiates are brothers Snowden, of Memphis, Tennessee, Craig, of Mississippi, and Drane, of this city; all of whom are good men and take much interest in Kappa Sigma and will prove a valuable acquisition to our fraternity. Bro. Luckett, of Owensboro, Kentucky, and an alumni member of Lambda chapter, has lately moved to this city and engaged in business. We welcome him into our midst and hope that he will be so well pleased as to decide to reside permanently in Clarksville.

JOE P. DUNLOP.

PI CHAPTER.

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY, MORGANTOWN, W. VA.

You and the many readers of the *QUARTERLY*, particularly those within the "Twelfth Gate," will be pleased to know that Bros. Blackwell C. Wilson (Pi) and S. A. Jack-

son (Zeta) have revived Pi chapter since the publication of the January number.

This chapter was established a few years ago, but when it was known that it would have to work *sub rosa* no more initiations were made. Since the last Grand Conclave of Kappa Sigma the authorities of the West Virginia University have seen fit to abolish the law forbidding Greek Letter Fraternities. Thanks to their maturer wisdom!

We have organized in full force, and have the pick of the entire University, as we are the first chapter started here, although the Delta Tau Deltas are discussing the propriety of establishing a chapter. But we propose to get the best boys before they wake up to the situation.

We propose to keep our chapter up to that high standard of excellence so characteristic of, and which has given ours so prominent a place among fraternities

Although we are new in the cause and unknown to you older brethren, yet we feel as though we were intimately acquainted and that we are brothers indeed.

We again wheel into line along with the several other chapters within the Virginias and crying *semper constans*, are Kappa Sigmas forever.

MACY M. WATERS.

UPSILON CHAPTER.

HAMPDEN SIDNEY COLLEGE, VIRGINIA.

Since our last letter Upsilon has sustained a great loss in the leaving college of brother J. I. Hurt, W. G. T. of Kappa Sigma. Brother Hurt, besides being a good student and a capital fellow, has proven himself to be a most ardent and efficient Kappa Sigma; never hesitating to deny himself for her good, and always ready for work. He has been, during his one and one-half years at this college, the main support of Upsilon. We sincerely hope that he may enjoy better health in the future and may return to us at an early day; but should he not be able, may he en-

joy all the good which can flow from the blessings of a grateful chapter.

Upsilon has a splendid organization; the members are zealous, and the officers are fully alive to their work. The meetings are therefore long, and joyfully attended. We prefer not to try to make them subservient to *all* other diversions, for when fraternity meetings become *duties* and attendance upon them is an inviolable law, then lack of interest ensues; what was once a pleasure now becomes a bounden duty, and in short, the main object of fraternities is defeated. The best plan is to make the hall such a pleasant place that the meetings will be looked forward to with pleasure, and be preferred to all other amusements. For the same reasons all literary features are omitted.

We have made no new initiations. Each year the different fraternities here keep a sharp lookout for men who will enter college the next year. Thus a new student is very often "spotted" before he arrives. This causes nearly all initiations to be made within one or two months after the beginning of the session.

Our rivals have made no important moves, except now and then the initiation of a man by the newly arrived Pi Kappa Alpha.

It is almost too early to be looking forward to a new year. But we will promise you that Upsilon will be blessed next year, if honest and determined labor is able to accomplish the work.

S. F. HURT, JR.

TAU CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AUSTIN, TEXAS.

Tau chapter is at present numbering (8) eight members. We have recently lost a very useful member, brother Vinson, who has withdrawn from the University and returned to his home at Brenham, Texas. We have initiated since our last chapter letter, three members: J. W. Maxwell of

Austin, W. S. Clark of Austin and H. B. Stoneham of Stoneham, Texas.

Tau is in a flourishing condition at present and prospects are very flattering for the future. We have not been prompt in communicating to the QUARTERLY, but in the future you can safely rely on favorable reports from Tau. Brother Bondurant of Upsilon chapter, who is now a professor in Round Rock College paid Tau a visit at her last meeting and informed us on many fraternity matters, which were very instructive to the members of Tau. Brother Bondurant will attend our meetings when it is convenient for him to visit our city; Tau considers herself very fortunate indeed to have such an efficient Kappa Sigma to be with us occasionally in our meetings.

The chapter of the W. W. W. fraternity of the University has consolidated with the Phi Delta Theta. Fraternity matters are booming, and the Kappa Sigma stands preeminent.

We hope this letter will be received in time for publication, and hereafter we will endeavor to be more punctual. Each member of Tau will soon send in their subscription to the QUARTERLY. We congratulate the Editors of the QUARTERLY—they make it worthy of its great object.

PERSONALS.—Brother Ike Jalonic, (Tau), is at Wichita Falls, Texas, doing well in the Mercantile business.

J. R. Batte, (Zeta), is practicing law in Caldwell, Texas.

R. S. Gould, Jr., (Zeta), is practicing law in Bryan, Texas.

J. R. A.

OMICRON CHAPTER.

EMORY AND HENRY COLLEGE, EMORY, VIRGINIA.

As the representative of Omicron I send greeting to all within the Twelfth Gate. We are so fenced in with college laws that we can make no boasts of helping our fraternity by the addition of good men, which is the most

interesting part of a chapter letter. So we must console ourselves, and satisfy our brethren by referring to our past record. We feel safe in saying that no chapter has done more during the existence of our brotherhood towards securing good men and plenty of them, than Omicron. There has scarcely a year past since our organization, without turning out one or more Kappa Sigma graduates. It is difficult to obtain a great deal of information in regard to the senior class of each year since 1872, (the year our order was introduced at this college,) but I have a programme for Emory commencement in June, 1876, which gives Wm. F. Booth of New Orleans as the "First honor man" of that year. The senior class was large and eight were Kappa Sigmas. This will give some idea of what Omicron has done for the "Crescent and the Star."

We can boast, this year, of a chapter of as little discord and as much good feeling as any in the brotherhood. Although some of us have Irish blood in our veins, we have never had any trouble or serious hard feeling; stringent college laws seem to bind us closer together. Our motto is:

"Let *semper constans* be the cry,
Let love be here our binding tie."

We will turn out four graduates this year, all of whom stand high, both in the class and in the estimation of the faculty and students. They are loyal Kappa Sigmas and will always be an honor to the fraternity. Besides these we will have a *few* left for next year.

Since our last writing brother C. W. Compton of Bland County, Virginia, has returned to us. He was rather late coming to college this year, but he is as good a Kappa Sigma as ever, and takes great interest in the fraternity. Brother W. H. Aston, a former student who lives near, often favors us with a visit. He is a whole souled Kappa Sigma and does much towards keeping up our spirits.

We are glad to give notice of the initiation of Judge S. G. Graham, a prominent lawyer of Tazewell Court-House, Virginia, which was performed by brother S. A. Jackson,

some time in December last; he was initiated in Lynchburg, but belongs to Omicron, and we claim him.

All our members send good wishes to the QUARTERLY.

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DELTA CHAPTER.

MARYLAND MILITARY AND NAVAL ACADEMY, OXFORD, MD.

Delta sends greetings and well wishes to her sister chapters. The interest of the members in the brotherhood is increasing and with the addition of our new brothers: W. S. Albert of Tennessee, L. M. Taylor of Illinois and C. B. Hayes of Pennsylvania, we expect to do good work for the cause during the remainder of the term.

Delta has instituted a series of readings and recitations, by which, when our chapter work is finished, we occupy our time until adjournment. The plan affords us a pleasant and instructive means of passing an extra hour.

Since Christmas we have received pleasant and encouraging letters from S. A. Jackson, W. G. M., W. H. Inglesby, W. G. P., E. L. Sutton, W. G. S. and J. I. Hurt, W. G. T. In order to promote and keep alive the spirit of friendship existing between the members of Delta and those of the other chapters, she cordially invites correspondence from any Kappa who may feel so disposed.

Delta has a fine location, and although the Academy has been located here only six months, there are already students from almost every state in the Union.

We are under strict discipline, thus allowing only one night in each week for our members to assemble together.

The following officers were recently elected and appointed: Brother Von Rosenberg, G. M., brother McIndoe, G. M. C., brother Hazlehurst, G. P., brother Burke, G. S., brother Betts, G. T. and brother Covington, G.

Delta mourns the loss from her mystic circle of J. H. Wagner of Mississippi, who is now in attendance at Bing-

ham school, North Carolina, and of W. J. Miller, who is now at his home in Dyersburg, Tennessee.

The report of brother Betts, shows that, considering our youth, our treasury is in a fair financial condition.

G. L. ABELL.

EPSILON CHAPTER.

CENTENARY COLLEGE, JACKSON, LOUISIANA.

It has again become my pleasant duty to inform you in regard to our chapter. When I wrote my last letter we were comparatively unacquainted with the work which we were expected to perform, as our charter had only been granted a few weeks previous. We have become better versed in fraternity affairs, and the more knowledge we acquire, the better do we love our order. We are now eight strong, but expect to add two more to our number before many days.

We have all subscribed for the QUARTERLY except Bro. Geo. H. Jones, whose subscription you will please find enclosed. We were all delighted with the last issue of the QUARTERLY, and only wish that it was monthly, as three months is such a long time to be deprived of the admirable news which it always contains. Hoping the QUARTERLY every success, I am

Yours Fraternally,

C. H. H.

THE CATALOGUE.

The publication of the catalogue has been put in the hands of Messrs. Bell & Co. of Lynchburg, Virginia, and will very shortly make its appearance. The book will be handsomely printed, contain full information in regard to the many widely scattered Kappa Sigmas, and will be bound in flexible leather covers. All subscriptions should be sent to J. I. Hurt, Abingdon, Virginia.

RHO ANNUAL.

We are in receipt of a handsome little pamphlet bearing the above title. It is published by Rho Chapter, situated at North Georgia Agricultural College, and contains a salutatory, a brief sketch of the college, and an outline history of the chapter. We congratulate Rho upon her wisdom in thus preserving her records and the good taste displayed in doing so.

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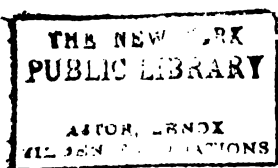
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Sketch of Arthur C. Heffenger.

Arthur Cowton Heffenger, M. D., Passed Assistant Surgeon U. S. Navy, was born in Cumberland, Md., Dec. 12, 1852. In 1856 his family moved to Botetourt Co., Virginia, and his father, J. A. Heffenger, Esqr., by profession an architect, became a planter, at the same time entering into various other business enterprises. Dr. Heffenger's early life was thus spent upon a Virginia plantation, and his primary education conducted, as is usual in the South, by a tutor. He entered the University of Virginia in 1873; but excessive study in preparing for the graduating examination brought on a retinitis which compelled him to leave college before the final exercises were celebrated.

He was a special graduate, however, in the School of Physiology of that institution, a member of the Jefferson Literary Society, and of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

In October, 1874, he matriculated at the University of Maryland, and received the degree of Doctor in Medicine, March, 1875.

He is an alumnus of both of these Universities, whose alumni associations have enrolled the names of many of America's brightest literary, professional and political lights.

On March 13, 1875, Dr. Heffenger passed the Naval Examining Board, and was commissioned an assistant surgeon in the Navy, March 19th. He served on board the U. S. Receiving Ship, *Sabine*, Portsmouth, N. H., 1875; U. S. S., *Onward*, Callao, Peru, 1875-77; was on sick

leave during the spring of 1877, but joined the U. S. S., *Plymouth*, North Atlantic Station, in July, and remained on board of her till November. Was ordered to Naval Hospital, New York, Nov. 10, 1877, for laboratory instruction preliminary to promotion. Promoted to Passed Assistant Surgeon, March 19, 1878, and ordered to Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass., where he remained till April, 1880. From 1880 to '83, he served on board the U. S. S., *Lackwanna*, but from 1883 to '86, was on special duty at Portsmouth, N. H., and in charge of Naval Quarantine Station at Widows' Island, Me. June 1st, 1886, he was ordered to the new steel cruiser, *Atlanta* on which vessel it is supposed he will make a lengthy European cruise.

Dr. Heffenger was appointed to service from Virginia, but is now a resident of Portsmouth, N. H. His contributions to medical literature have chiefly appeared in the Boston Medical and Surgical Journal, and comprise "Traumatic Aneurism of one of the right Lumbar Arteries," "A Medical Sketch of Lima," "The Sanitary State of Panama, and the Interoceanic Canal Medical Service," &c., &c. From time to time he has written for the daily press, contributing letters during 1882, upon our South American relations. Through the columns of various medical journals he has advocated the institution of "National Medical Examinations" to insure competent medical advice to the public, the examining boards to be constituted from the medical officers of the Army, Navy, and Marine Hospital Service, thus avoiding extra expense to the Government.

During the last decade Dr. Heffenger has made hospital construction and management a specialty, and originated independently the celebrated circular pavilion. Last spring he designed and constructed the Naval Quarantine Hospital on Widows' Island, Penobscot Bay, Me., of which he lately had charge.

Dr. Heffenger has two brothers, S. Lane Heffenger, Esqr., an attorney at law in Hagerstown, Md., and Clarence Warwick Heffenger, M. D., practicing in Maryland.

The Fraternity Gentleman.

The characteristic which distinguishes a fraternity from a club is the strong reciprocal influence of each man on his fellow; this the club has not, at least not to a degree approaching that of the college society. Contact with other men and the constant and necessary consideration of other men's claims, do much in developing the gentlemanly instinct. When to this necessary result of living together in fraternities is added the deliberate purpose of each individual member to live more and more for others, fraternity life becomes pure and healthy. Let each one strive to bear without abuse

"The grand old name of gentleman;"

and may it be our glory that the "fraternity man" means gentleman. The gentility of fraternity men, as a whole, may be taken for granted; yet there is a vast difference between the behavior of the members of rival societies in their intercourse with one another. This difference varies through all the degrees from positive insult to refined politeness.

There was a time in the history of the fraternity system when there was a continual clashing and banging, when the meanest was the most loyal man, and when rivalry was simply underhand warfare. Many of us have heard the older alumni tell of those turbulent days. Tradition too, loves to sit at the jolly college fireside of a winter evening and whisper that on a certain night Brother—forced the door of such or such a lodgeroom, and after unconcernedly examining his surroundings, retired with the rival's constitution under his arm. Handed down year by year from those remote, pugnacious days are a number of grips, which it is averred, were discovered by some sly trick of Brother—or—. While we often hear, and sometimes read, that "the Sketa Beta society having their rooms next to us, we made an opening in the wall, and recently invited in several friends to witness the blood-curdling tomfoolery through which the young

Sketa must pass." These instances are not overdrawn, being founded wholly on facts. Even in these more refined days, a treacherous bitterness is occasionally manifest. The unsophisticated are persuaded or intimidated into the breaking of pledges; our brother's ear is not deaf to an unguarded word dropped by a rival, and his tongue is busy with its repetition and enlargement. This spirit does not betoken the fraternity gentleman; he is above such petty meanness, such treachery to his very instincts. In our search for him we must look still further.

Not a dozen years ago, two students of an interior college were sitting together in a car on a certain railway, chattering and bantering as college men do. They happened to belong to different fraternities, but being classmates had much in common. Just before reaching the college town another student came rushing in, and, in his excitement at the meeting, extended his hand with the well-known grip to his brother, who, it happened, was sitting next the side of the car. Here was a rare chance for the rival next the aisle. There was no attempt at concealment; one glance and he would be master of the secret. But he was a fraternity gentleman. He politely looked into space, and, the greeting over, went on talking in a natural way that was eloquent in praise of his fraternity and of himself as a man. This is but one instance; another occurs to us even more striking. The *dramatis personæ* are two students occupying rooms contiguous, and which permitted conversation, but not a visible meeting of the two. One had become firmly impressed that the other was a brother in Gamma Phi, answering to a certain nickname, by which that other had just been addressed. College names are always brief and often sound alike. So it happened in this case; one of the two had been deceived. Imagine the scene, when the deluded youngster burst out with:

"Say, Whit, you know we're going to meet to-night. I intend to vote for Raines for——"

"Stop !" came the voice from the other room. "You're mistaken ; I'm not in your fraternity."

Such a fellow, no matter what be his conditon, must have commanded the esteem and admiration of all who heard of this little incident. Certainly no one could have respected him more than the hasty brother, who would have betrayed the secrets of his order, but, finding his auditor suddenly deaf, was protected from himself. Who is the true fraternity gentleman now begins to appear. We met one once, and will always remember it. He was of another fraternity, and was sitting on the balcony of the chapter-house. While laughing and talking a brother drove up, who had been a couple of years absent, and whom we were all glad to see again. He did not know our guest from ourselves, and was not on his guard. As we were talking with him another brother rushed out from the room beneath, and unconscious of the presence of the "profane," proceeded to grip the new arrival unceremoniously and without hiding. We of the balcony stood aghast. But our visitor, with a courtesy that left its impress on all present, turned from looking below, and began conversing with a friend at his side. He, we say, was a fraternity gentleman ; after that experience we required no further introduction to his character ; we knew him to be worthy the respect and confidence of the best of us, and always looked upon him, though a rival, as a trustworthy friend. Such is the fraternity gentleman. A few such simple words or acts speak more eloquently in praise of his order than lengthy histories, the flaunting of great names, or the publication of tedious statistics. He is the gentleman among gentlemen ; the man who testifies to his manliness ; the brother who will be trusted in the time of need.

The past was the time for hostilities, the present is an era of peace. Yet, we repeat, sometimes the old man will break forth and cry out for theft and insult. That this spirit is rapidly disappearing is a hopeful sign. May the day be not far distant when the fraternity man will uni-

versally be the true fraternity gentleman.—*Chi Psi, Purple and Gold.*

Leap Year.

Nice room, easy chair,
Old bach sitting there.
Old bach begins to snore,
Gentle rap at the door.
Enter maid rather old,
With a look of love untold.
Converse awhile this and that,
Close by him old maid sat.
Soon she talked sentimental,
He didn't care continental.
She got mad began to cry,
Other tactics thought she'd try.
"Years you've called every night,
As if you had perfect right.
Why you came Lord only knows,
Never once did you propose.
Now 'tis Leap Year, by Heaven above,
I shall tell you of my love."
Then there was an awful crash,
He had leaped through the sash.
Funeral next day at eleven,
Old bach safe in Heaven.

O. N. E.

Alpha Tau Omega Palm.

"A Type."

As once Cineas the Epirot stood before the assembled Senate, youth, matrons and maids of Rome, I stand before you to-night a representative of a "far country," I had almost said "a stranger in a strange land;" but this thought is checked by the recollection that the time once was when Texans and Tennesseans stood "shoulder to shoulder" in a strife of life and death in defence of principle, and from thence are ties innumerable, strong as tripple steel, which bind them close together, and this forbids a feeling of strangeness, while I ask your permission to speak of one who bore a conspicuous part in those times of trial.

It is not my purpose to harrow your feelings with dreadful pictures of the horrors of battle fields, or to declaim against the injustice of that worst of all tyrants an unscrupulous majority; but to present a model type of man, especially of Southern men, in the person of one who is preeminently "a type," as he embodies those characteristics which go to make up not only the *great* man, but the *good* man, and *true*. A man whose character must be revered, and whose achievements must be admired by every one in whose breast there remains a spark of the divine fires of liberty and honor.

In Christian county, Kentucky, was born one whose head is now white with the frosts of seventy-six winters—Jefferson Davis!

His father, an admirer and partisan of the great founder and champion of Democracy, gave his son the name of Jefferson—how true he has been to his name, in his admiration and imitation of the great Jefferson, the apostle of American democratic government!

Graduating from West Point, he took the first rank in a class that has never had a parallel for its number of celebrities—Robert E. Lee, Albert Sidney Johnson, Joseph

E. Johnson, and last, but by no means least, Tennessee's "warrior priest," Leonidas Polk.

During his service in infantry and cavalry he won the respect and admiration of both friend and foe, officers and men.

Wedded to her who had been a witness of his bravery and prowess as a soldier, he retired to the seclusion of his Southern home and applied himself with a scholar's zeal and enthusiasm to those studies whose fruits are seen in the exquisite taste and intellectual profundity which characterizes all his speeches, and the purity and elegance of his matchless State papers, which are the delight and study alike of the scholar and statesman. This was the fountain whence he imbibed those broad and elevated views of politics and statesmanship which scorn the low ambition of truckling demagogues, but aim at the lofty principles of patriotism and democratic constitutional government.

None can read the history of the Mexican war and deny to Jefferson Davis the victor's palm and the tribute so justly due to his genius and valor. Blot from the page of history the record of his desperate valor in the trenches of Monterey, and there still remains the glittering triumph of Buena Vista, a living witness to his cool intrepidity and versatile genius.

Crushed and broken by the sheer weight of numbers, the Americans were in full retreat when "a forlorn hope" of Mississippi Rifles, under Col. Davis were ordered up. Wheeling his little command into line he rolls it upon the enemy like a mighty tidal wave, sweeping everything before it. Death holds high carnival and victory hovers over the combatants wrapped in impenetrable smoke and confusion.

When the clouds of smoke are rolled away this "forlorn hope" of heroes is left in possession of the field, the day is done, the curtain of night falls slowly.

And when the cold round moon rolls up the trackless *void of space* and the silent stars come out one by one

they look down on many a form stretched and rigid in death "heaped and pent, rider and horse, friend and foe, in one red burial blent."

We turn from a proud contemplation of these scenes of his physical valor and prowess to where in the Senate Chamber at Washington he showed himself a Chevalier Bayard in the instantaneous and hurried grapple and adroit strategy of debate, and in the higher oratorical efforts which present the perfection of symmetry, harmony, and elegance of diction, of the ideal senatorial eloquence.

In searching for a man in whom we may behold, as it were, the miniature of the Southern nation, there can be no happier example than the man whom it honored with the first place in its government, tacitly acknowledging him to be the "fitting and adequate exponent" of its intellectual and aesthetical civilization, based on "lofty and generous sentiments of manhood, a dignified conservatism, and the proud associations of ancestral distinction in the the history of the Union." The ideal of senatorial dignity, he was ever the courtly gentleman.

Never flattering the vanity or soothing the passions of the "*mobile vulgus*" he commanded respect by that habitually, polished and distinguished manner which is the ornament of exalted statesmanship.

Time does not permit to discuss the constitutionality of the South in that Titanic struggle which had its inception in the mad action of the commander of the "Star of the West," and that action repelled by the gallant Beauregard in Charleston Bay; and its final catastrophe in the surrender at Appomattox. The effort of the Old Government to co-erce the seceded States produced a struggle of arms, the bloodiest and fiercest under which the earth has trembled since the Heights of Austerlitz glittered in the light of the new risen sun, and the Plains of Wagram and the Galloms of Leipsic rocked and shook beneath the thunder of Napoleon's cannon. The responsibility of that contest rests not upon the seceded States in the exercise

of a right inherent in them by the very fact of their State sovereignty; but it must rest upon a government, which conscious of its strength and unlimited resources was resolved to illustrate the tyrants maxim—that "might is right." When the struggle began, then the universal principle spontaneous in the human breast, the right of self-defence, became the motive, the law and the necessity of Southern resistance.

"A great revolution need never explain nor apologize for itself. There it is; and the fact that it is there, is the best evidence of its right to be there!" Great actions and events spring alone from lofty inspirations and mighty causes. As in the life of individuals, so in the supreme moments of national existence necessity demands that resolution and action should devolve upon the actor alone.

Many, able and noble statesman, and statesmen of all sections are, advocates of secession as an element of sovereign stateshood. States constituting a Confederation are not Colonies—they are independent sovereignties and when the purposes of their confederation are not subserved they have the right—nay, it is their duty to assume their status as independent governments. And when this action was taken by the seceding States of the South and the Confederate government was formed it was needful that one should be chosen as the political head or President of the new government thus brought into being. Who was more fitted for that lofty position than was he upon whom had fallen the triple mantle of Washington, Jefferson and Calhoun?

By all that was lofty in statesmanship—by all that was grand in intellectual and scholarly acquisition—by all that was noble in exalted worth and purity of honor and unswerving principle and by all that was sacred in consecrated patriotism—so was Jefferson Davis—by all these attributes fitted for the position of President for the new Confederation of States—a new member in the sisterhood of nations, whose eternal defence will ever be recorded in the annals of history in the fact of a constitution of a

Republic whose original germ was a protest against "bayonet rule"—and has as the corner-stone of its grand, social and political structure, the "bed-rock principle of free government—that all free governments must derive their just powers from the consent of the governed." Each section acted for itself—and when Mississippi dissolved her partnership in the Confederate Union, her agent in Council at Washington "bade a long, lasting and friendly farewell" to his former associates and took his place beside his people, his kindred and his home. Nature rests his defence on this fact alone. You may bring to bear the combined efforts of history and casuistry of the statesman, the advocate and the jurist, and after all there is no stronger duty, no tenderer tie than that "which binds the faithful heart to home and father land." And on that tie stretching from eternity to eternity—spanning the infinite and riveted to the Eternal, "rests stainless and immortal the fame of" President Davis.

His work is done. That it was done well—with the most consummate skill and ability, we have the combined and unisonant testimony of the most eminent soldiers and statesmen of the age—both in Europe and America! It is done and has left behind to its author a fame imperishable! And is this all—this imperishable fame?

No!—answers the past from the wrecks of mighty empires, heralding the names of those who have effected labors of love for their fellow men. No!—the present answers as it shows evidences of having passed through the purifying fires, whose heat has separated the gold from the dross. No!—the future answers as it comes fresh with the "breath of the eternal morning" and full of lofty inspirations from the life of Jefferson Davis. No! methinks the "golden sun, the planets, all the infinite host of heaven" cry aloud, and it rolls aloft through the voiceless vaults into the ears of the listening thousands in the galleries above.

There is an episode in the life of President Davis which as a *citizen of the United States*, I would desire to conceal, it is a story over which the South has bowed in grief; at

the recital of which the world drew back disgusted and which as the years roll away will bring the blush of shame to every citizen of a country, which vaunts its freedom and flaunts its flag in the face of the down trodden of earth as the flag of a country whose liberty and constitution is its pride and boast.

In profound peace when the last vestige of resistance had disappeared, in violation of every fundamental principle of law and liberty, of justice and humanity, the United States government placed Mr. Davis, a prisoner of war, in "durance vile" and heaped upon his devoted head every indignity which sectional hate could contrive or brute force execute. And now after twenty years have rolled away, we see him without a country and without a home, save in the hearts of his countrymen. He himself is honored in that he is singled out from among the hosts of his countrymen to bear the brunt of hatred to his own sunny Southland. Yet amid all these wrongs and insults—as has been well said of another—"his lips are closed like some majestic temple, not for concealment but because that within was holy." Injustice and oppression, torture of body and mind, at sight of the miseries of his people—none the less great because borne in silence—wrung not even a groan from his tortured lips.

When we behold the clouds gathering in our national horizon, clouds which threaten the subversion not only of Democratic principles but of our national existence, when we see all this, we may still turn to a living sacrifice to principle on the national altar. The evening of his life shines out like the lurid after-glow of sunset.

He "hastes to his setting" with "honor's seal upon his brow and valor's star upon his breast" and when the last hour of earthly existence shall come "may he be admitted into that rest which is incorruptible, undefiled and that fadeth not away."

Unravel the warp and woof of history and take from it the thread of any life; examine it in all the various phases of its composition and where can you find one an imita-

tion of whose character and an emulation of whose achievements will form a more worthy ambition than the life of Jefferson Davis.

Come woman in thy spotless purity; come manhood in thy strong majesty; come youth and hoary age, student and sage, and join me in twining for his brow a chaplet of glory and honor as pure, as white, as stainless as his own heroic soul.

In the grand tourney of honor, in the list where patriots and statesmen shiver the lance and wield the battle-axe of truth for freedom and country, there ride two knights—Robert Edward Lee and Jefferson Davis—and upon shield and casque, upon banner and pennon is emblazoned in letters of living light this legend and device—"There is a true glory and a true honor—the glory of duty done, the honor of the integrity of principle."

[Extract from a speech delivered by Bro. Duncan Martin of Texas, at Nashville, Tenn.]

Good Fellows.

Seated at dinner one night in the quaint old dining room of Givens Hotel in Schenectady, surrounded by the genial spirits of the Theta Xi Chapter, entertaining our distinguished friend and brother, Bayard Taylor, with such good cheer as "mine host" could furnish; various were the subjects of discussion. Suddenly his face lighted up as if by some new inspiration, and I shall not soon forget his enthusiasm as he exclaimed, "Get a man with brains when you can, get a man with a character always, but whomever you get, *get good fellows!*"

I think he touched the keynote of true fraternity. Men admire brains, they revere well-grounded character, but all the world loves a man with a big warm heart.

Men speak of their boyhood as they relate pleasant dreams. There are no memories of sooty faces, uncombed hair, and disreputable snivelings. It is all dew-sparkle and morning-glory. But what of college days? Find me a man if you can who had seen or has since seen such days as his college days. Time mellows us all up more or less. We grow old imperceptibly, the dead past gets buried very fast and very deep. But we meet a man in the street. It is years and years since we met him before. Why do we peer sharply into his face and reach out an eager, trembling hand at "poor old Joe's 'God bless you Bill!'" Is it because we remember him as earliest at chapel of a frosty morning, or *primus inter illustres* in digging up Greek "roots?" Do we pause to reflect that he could climb the golden stairs leading to the class rostrum without stumbling, button his shining broadcloth about him without a wrinkle, smite the air gracefully and orate—a very Demosthenese on the half shell? Nay, nay. Under the trees we walk together, his arm about our neck, in the tender moonlight of long ago. He sat in the old chair that had one rocker lost and one of its arms gone to *look for it*, with his feet sprawled over the table, or he lay

across our bed and helped us make the "sounding rafters" sound once more in oft repeated song! He was a good fellow. College was full of good fellows. And that is what makes us boys again when we come together.

"Hopes may fade and friends may fail,
Time old bonds shall sever,
Memories aye of good old days
Linger here forever."

We remember the good fellowship of other days. We ought to assemble more often than we do, and clasp each other by the hand, and sing the old songs. It is a shame to become old men so soon. We hasten to business in the morning, rush through the day chasing that Almighty Dollar just before us, home again at nightfall weary—a pipe—the evening paper—perhaps some more toil, and then roll into bed, to arise and repeat when the day returns.

The moss will be twenty years thick on our tombstones before we notice that we have ever been born if we don't brace up! A social meal together now and then, the sound of each others' voices and a more frequent look into each others' faces, will revive whatever of good fellowship was ever in us. It is not all of life to work and sleep.

Whatever the world may say of us—if it says anything, let those who know us best say of us, after the ground has us, that we were good fellows. We cannot actually live the years over again. We cannot wander again through the green lanes of our barefooted boyhood. The rosebuds have opened into blossoms and their leaves have long since been scattered by winds that blew more softly then than now. The grass is still green on the campus, though not for us. And yet the same blood is in our veins, the same hearts throb within us. Let not the mildew of care or the gathering of years lessen the ardor of our fellowship.

A. W. GLEASON.
In D. K. E. Quarterly.

The Scout.

1864.

As I ride with a keen lookout through the town,
 In the wind of the autumn blowing free,
 You lean from your open window down,
 And I raise my face to your own, chérie !
 I press my lips to the rose in your hair,
 And wish it was one of the two on your face ;
 If I were up in the window there,
 Would you give me a last embrace ?

I have been rather sad. I dreamed of a day
 (How the wind of the autumn is blowing free!)
 When the rattle of sabers would pass away,
 And the winds would whisper to you and me
 That love is the best, whatever betide,
 And the journey of life, made hand in hand,
 Is a path of flowers ; but the dream soon died
 In the air of this war-curst land.

This very moment I catch the beat,
 On the wind of the autumn blowing free,
 Of a squadron passing with muffled feet
 By the mill, who are hunting me.
 If they find me—a shot!—I am wounded, sweet !
 One touch of the roses so fair to see ;
 If they drag me in to die at your feet,
 You must kiss me again, chérie !

J. Eston Cook, in July Bivouac.

Consolidation, or Independence.

This question agitating college circles just now, is one that should be handled vigorously and without gloves. The importance of a fraternity retaining its independence is to be impressed upon the minds of all alumni whether members of their college order or not. It is as of much moment, as a maintenance of the distinctive characteristics of one's university or college. Let the advocates of consolidation present their arguments as they may, the stern fact stands out boldly, fearlessly and conclusively, that amalgamation possesses disadvantages that numerical acquisition cannot overbalance, be it ever so ingeniously, ever so emphatically and apparently convincingly advanced. A careful investigation of the merits of the so called advantages to be gained, will result in the discovery of the fact that sophistical eloquence, and strained rhetoric have been relied upon to pass as sound logic and common sense. More attention has been paid to the subject than it really deserves, and it is a matter of surprise to the older members of the fraternities that such an issue was ever raised (if it can be dignified by that title), much less a passing thought devoted to it.

The scheme as immense and for reaching in its objects and influence as it is, might be termed, practically impracticable, and positively distasteful to all conservative thinkers and actors in the field of fraternal intercourse. The idea is nauseous to all who have the advancement and welfare of their order at heart. Just look at it! Here is an order which has been organized by a few kindred spirits. It has steadily overcome all obstacles, grown in numbers, reputation, popularity and power. Each accession to its ranks has been made after mature deliberation and careful investigation into the character, mental attainments and social qualifications of the member received, and especially after a close and scrupulous examination into that desideratum, the existence of qualities that will insure, *a perfect and thorough congeniality.*

The order grows slowly, of necessity, but, what a power it becomes! Every member acting as a unit and every member with a common impulse, all pushing forward to one goal, shoulder to shoudler marching on under the flag, inscribed; "Our order first, fraternal benefit next." Chapters spring up in the foremost colleges of the land and the parent lodge looks out upon the vast territory wherein so many of her offspring are following in the course, her example has laid down for them, children she can take by the hand at any moment, and rest confident that no blush will mantle the spotless cheek of honor she has presented to the world, for any of their actions. The influence she wields, the power she exerts has never occurred to her until this retrospect we glance which assures her of the vastness of her influence, and once realized, who dare utter the iconoclastical suggestion of consolidation? What! take into the order strangers who have no other recommendation in the world than that of membership in a similar order; reveal to the stranger the esoteric workings of brethren, before he has even proved himself worthy of confidence. Take into the fold of the fraternity a parcel of men whose tastes, ideas and character may be entirely at variance with the standard established by the order receiving them. What is known of their habits, their worthiness or their scholarship? Must it be taken for granted that simply because they carry a Greek letter on their breasts that they are soldiers good and true? Guard well the first principles of the order.

In these days of superficial polish, it is difficult to distinguish the gem from the paste, and only by careful scrutiny can it be accomplished. The much flaunted boast of plebians that a man can *make* himself a gentleman, that birth and breeding in these days of mushroom wealth and cod-fish aristocracy, have nothing to do with a man's social position, is rapidly gaining a credence that is greatly to be deplored, and cannot be lightly dealt with. If the prestige of the society is to be cared for. Members cannot be too particular with whom it is entrusted. The

order must be certain that each acquisition to its membership, will as faithfully cherish the traditions and honor of the fraternity, as one of its charter members would.

It has been fully stated in this article, how members have been chosen. Now, is it proposed, after years of such care in the selection of associates, to, at one blow, level the walls of exclusiveness that have been so jealously erected and guarded. To throw open the gates of the citadel, as it were, through which may pour, unquestioned the rag, tag and bobtail of a continent. A fact conceded is, that in the fraternities are to be found the greater number of the gentlemen attending the colleges, as it is thus recognized, why lower the cast by the promiscuous, admission of the Toms, Dicks and Harrys who in all probability have purchased their entrance into some one or another of the fraternities. If a society evidences its loss of respect for itself by such action, how can it expect to maintain its reputation? How keep the confidence it has commanded, and received as its due?

That in union there is strength, is true in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred, but its application to the scheme of consolidation, would fail to have the effect that is expected of it, and would ultimately result in disastrous defeat of the very object aimed at by its partisans, which is held to be, the strengthening of the order. Numerical strength in college fraternities is not what is mainly desired. Congeniality is what is required. This plan of opening the doors of the fraternity to the public in this manner will bring with it the inevitable results; the destruction of the great, bulwark of esoteric orders, exclusiveness. The introduction of new elements, highly undesirable and in the end, the subtle undercurrent of unre-served and implicit brotherly confidence, which no words, no actions can express or describe, that touchstone which draws to it those of kindred minds, and which gains its existence solely from the constant intercourse that obtains among fellows during a course at college, is gone, lost, swallowed up by that hydra-headed monster "discord" and

from the day of its entrance can be said to be forever.

"* * * At daggers drawing
* * * One another clapper clawing."

EXCERPTA.

In the Lonely Back Pew.

The sermon was long and the preacher was prosy,
The cushion was soft and the corner was cozy ;
And, musing, I knew
By my side in the pew
Was a dear little face that was dimpled and rosy.

A stray bit of lace and the curl of a feather
Lay close to my cheek, and I didn't care whether
The service was long,
Or flirting was wrong
In a lonely back pew, as we knelt down together.

In reading the prayers we had one book between us ;
So sweet was her smile that, had nobody seen us,
While bent on our knees
(Oh how Cupid did tease !)
I had stolen a kiss with the prayer book to screen us.

In the oriel window the sunlight was gleaming.
In my drowsy old brain I felt love fancies teeming ;
Then my heart gave a thump—
But my head got a bump
On the back of the pew—I had only been dreaming.

Greek News.

The Chapters of Alpha Tau Omega at Washington and Lee University and the Stevens Institute of Technology are dead.

The *De Pauw Monthly* says that a new ladies' fraternity called Omega Tau Chi has been founded at the Ohio University, Athens, Ohio. ✓

Delta Kappa Epsilon has revived, with twenty men, its old Psi Chapter at the University of Alabama, which was in existence during 1847-57.

All the fraternities have deserted Muhlenberg College with the possible exception of Phi Gamma Delta. Here is an opportunity for some one of our Southern sisters who have the Northern fever and are not very choice as to the standard of the college.—*Kappa Alpha Journal*.

Fraternity libraries are a natural outgrowth of fraternity literature. The constant increase of the latter make the former almost a necessity to a well-informed organization. The great number of catalogues, song-books, histories, annuals, and "official" publications furnish the basis for an extensive collection. Thrown aside after one perusal the great mass of this literature speedily perishes. It ought to be preserved in one place and by one man. This collector should have the assistance of all the members. Valuable prints and papers could be entrusted to him, subject to recall if so highly prized. Such a plan is feasible, and certainly necessary. Several men have small collections, but they should be united and increased with the utmost care. The large cities are rapidly paving the way for great social organizations growing from college fraternities, and furnish in the club-house a place of arrangement for such a collection.—*Chi Phi Quarterly*.

Flies and Fly Tackle.

In the last few years there has come a great change over the American public with regard to field sports and athletics—so much so, that, whereas in former times England stood pre-eminent for excellence in all sorts of out-door exercises, we now a little better than make a division with her. American horses have shown to our cousins across the water that blue grass is not to be despised, and our trotting stock is the wonder of the world for speed and endurance. In the department of foot racing we have just shown their fleetest athlete a clean pair of heels at all the distances from a hundred yards up to and including a mile, while in aquatics our oarsmen and our yachts have defeated everything that has come against them.

It is not alone in these branches of athletics that we have progressed, but in many others, and the astonishing thing about it is, that it has all been done in such a short space of time. Every village, almost, throughout the land has its base-ball team and it is amazing to see the amount of interest taken by old and young in the games between prominent clubs in the large cities—a proof of which is the space devoted by the press to the base-ball news of the day.

Lacrosse has come into favor, and the number of its devotees is rapidly increasing while lawn-tennis numbers its followers by the thousands. Our mountains, woodlands and prairies are sought, year by year, by multitudes of new seekers for sport with the rifle and fowling piece, while the quieter brotherhood of Izaak Walton has threaded almost every brook and bathed its lines in almost every lakelet in this great confederation of States.

It is quite a revelation for the novice to go into a large and well equipped tackle establishment, and see the great and almost endless variety of weapons devised by the ingenuity of mankind for warring against the finny tribes—a very different outfit from the hoop pole, bit of pack-

thread and bent pin, with which, and the humble red worm, we used to be mighty fishermen in our boyhood's days. Instead of these we have now the slender, tapering, willowy fly rod, the silken line, the single gut leader and that daintiest of all dainty baits, the artificial fly.

Take, first of all, the rod: How often have I been asked by members of the "hand line and cedar pole committee" whom I have encountered along the stream: "Aint you afraid of breaking that little *pole* if you get a fish on it?" Well, it is slender—no doubt of that, but wait a bit and take a good look at it. This one is eleven feet, six inches in length, tapering with a true and equal gradation from butt to tip. It is made in three pieces or joints, so that it can be taken apart for greater convenience in carrying it when going to or returning from the stream. The ferules that hold the rod together are patent ones and perfectly water-tight. The wood of which the rod is made is Calcutta bamboo of the best selected quality, and each joint of the rod is composed of six strips of this cane, planed and smoothed so as to make a perfect joint, and then glued together with water-proof glue. The strength of the bamboo being principally in the outer coat of hard silicious fibre, as much of it is retained as possible, and the soft inner part is cut away. When it is glued, it is carefully wrapped with bands of fine sewing silk at distances apart of from an inch on the thicker parts of the rod to one-fourth of an inch at the tip, which is no thicker than a straw. Then the guide rings are put on and the whole rod receives various coats of varnish and polishings until it shines like a mirror and is covered with an enamel that is as smooth and hard as glass. The reel is held in its place by two plated rings or bands that slide up on the reel plate, which is attached to the butt of the rod, just back of the place where the hand should grasp it.

Weigh the rod and it ought to tip the scales at about eight ounces. Take it in your hand and try the balance of it. Don't try to crack it like a whip, but swing it to and fro and see what a power and spring its slender pro-

portion have. You can take it by the tip and bend it double and when you release it, see how it flies back to its old shape. Such a rod is costly, but it is a thing of beauty and a joy as long as it lasts. You cannot jerk a mullet or a sucker out of the water with it and land him in the tree tops, twenty feet overhead, but you can by proper handling, tame and capture the biggest trout or bass that swims in your native waters, and would, I firmly believe, stand a good show against a salmon—the king of all the game fishes.

Such is the rod. Next comes the reel, and of these there are any number of patterns, from the multiplier with its drag and click and stop, and watchlike machinery, costing twenty dollars, down to the plain brass crank that stands you fifty cents.

As to this article of equipment no two anglers agree perfectly. For my part, I like the multiplier best, because I happen to have one—but, for years, when I used a plain click reel, I thought the multiplier a delusion and a snare, and the possession of one to be rather detrimental than otherwise to the owner's reputation as a good fellow and a good fisherman—terms that with the craft are nearly synonymous.

The line should be of oiled silk, tapered, waterproofed and enameled, and from twenty-five to forty yards in length, according to whether you are fishing for trout or bass. I generally use thirty yards, and though I have had it run out but seldom by a fish, I have had moments when it would have been a comforting assurance to have known that there were still thirty feet of line in reserve.

The leader, or "casting line" as it is called in England, is of silk worm gut, the best of which is made in Spain. The immature silk worm is used in the manufacture of the gut, which is very tough and strong considering its thickness, and, being transparent, is not so easily seen by the fish, and is therefore used next the flies. The leader is from six to nine feet long according to whether you use two flies or three, and is made by knotting together

the lengths of gut, which are usually from twelve to fourteen inches.

Authorities differ about flies. One school says the fish rise to them because they are attractive in color and tickle their optic nerves. The other school holds that they are mistaken for the accustomed prey of the fish, the dragon flies, moths and butterflies, and that it is the stomach that prompts their action.

Whatever the motive, whether the point of view be artistic or homely they do rise, sometimes better and sometimes worse. I have always found it a good plan to examine the contents of the first fish caught and adapt my bait to the flies on which it has been feeding.

As the schools differ, so do individual anglers. Fly fishing is not an exact science like mathematics, and each expert has his favorite flies and swears by them, concluding that if they won't take fish nothing else can. A catalogue of their different names, for each is named for some characteristic or place or person, would make a very fair little volume and their descriptions would almost stock a library. You can take your choice of a different one for every day in the year, including Sundays, and then have some left over. Gaudy flies for dark days, and somber flies for bright ones, a brilliant yellow and red for early morning, and a spotless white for dusk—all colors, shapes and sizes, for all conditions of sun, wind and water—gay with scarlet, green and gold and glittering tinsel, or modest and demure as a quaker lassie in her simple gown of grey. Feathers from all lands and almost all birds, both of land and water, silks of various shades and fineness, gut from the silkworm, fur from seal and bear and rabbit, steel forged in the best factories into fitting temper, all go to make up the *personnel* of one of these little lures, and each part has its history, but the dearest of all to the patient fisherman is that which tells how the big fish came darting from his lair, by river grass or mossy rock, and caught the fly, mid air, before it could make its tiny ripple on the placid stream—how the tough steel held its

own against his struggles—how the line sang through the reel, taut and strained like a violin string almost to breaking, how the good rod bent and bowed and quivered with every movement of its prisoner, and last, but not least, how gasping and struggling the game fish gave up the fight only when it could do no more, and its strength gone, yielded itself to a foe that overmatched it. G. H. W.

Ladies' Fraternities.

“Nearly one hundred years after the establishment of the first college secret society by gentlemen, four young ladies at Asbury University, Greencastle, Ind., realized the advantages, and feeling the need of such a society for themselves, founded the first chapter of the Kappa Alpha Theta Fraternity. Other ladies have followed the initiative taken by them, until there are now in existence nine ladies' fraternities, of greater or less note. Next in order of seniority come Kappa Kappa Gamma and Delta Gamma. Kappa Alpha Theta has extended its boundaries until it now includes twelve chapter (possibly more), and a membership of more than five hundred. Although it has a few honorary members, it does not encourage their admission. Kappa Kappa Gamma has been one of the most successful and prosperous of the ladies' fraternities. Originating at Monmouth, Ill., in October, 1870, it has continued to grow until it has now a list of chapters numbering at least eighteen, and a membership of about one thousand. With justifiable pride its members point to Mrs. Mary A. Livermore as an honorary member of their fraternity. Delta Gamma, the youngest of these three, first existed as a fraternity in 1874. It now includes twelve active chapters, and about three hundred members. As is natural, the relative strength and members of these three fraternities is somewhat proportional to the number of conventions held. The conventions of Kappa Kappa Gamma have been seven in number, of Kappa Alpha Theta five, and of Delta Gamma three.

Two of the ladies' societies, believing that the eternal fitness of things ought to be maintained, have consistently designated themselves a *sorority* and *sorosis* respectively. The first of these, Gamma Phi Beta, with four charter members, was established at Syracuse University in 1874, and up to this time has confined itself to large and well-known institutions, having, as yet, however, only two charters, one at Syracuse, N. Y., and the other at Ann Arbor, Mich. Its present membership is about eighty. Of the origin of the society calling itself a sorosis we have no definite knowledge, but learn from one of its recent publications that it has a chapter roll of fourteen, and held its eighth national convention last year. The society is called the I. C. and evidently includes in its membership many talented young ladies.

Another society whose policy has been to confine itself to the larger schools, was founded at the Syracuse University in 1872, with five charter members. This society, known as the Alpha Phi, placed its second chapter at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., and at last account had a total membership of about one hundred and thirty. Miss Frances Willard, the well-known temperance lecturer, is one of its members.

Of the remaining societies we know but little. The Alpha Beta Tau is a ladies' society of two chapters, both in Oxford, Miss. The Sigma Kappa is a ladies' society founded at Colby University in 1874, and the Phi Alpha Psi is a society recently founded at Meadville, Pa. As it frequently occurs that two or more of these societies are situated in the same school, there is often a local rivalry between them, especially as to honor and standing in the college, and gaining desirable members. The rivalry may exist so that no hard feeling results, and each society, having the stimulus of the others, may increase its activity and powers. On the contrary the spirit of rivalry may be carried to such an extent that enmities and hatreds are incurred. When this is the case the true spirit of any fraternity is violated, and chapters conducting themselves

in such a manner had better be abolished at once, than live to disgrace the name of *fraternity*.

At a college where two or more ladies' fraternities exist, and the college and social life is entirely harmonious, the question is sometimes asked by outsiders, "Why do not these societies unite and form one stronger body?" The answer may be usually given, that the founders of these chapters were ladies of different social tastes and habits, and in their selection of members afterwards, have chosen such as were congenial and similar to themselves. A remark recently made by a young gentleman in our own college illustrates more forcibly than elegantly, perhaps, the strong individuality of each fraternity. The remark was, "I can tell an *x y z* girl as far as I can see her."

Another question propounded by outsiders is, "Why are not all college girls members of fraternities?" We would answer this question by dividing the non-fraternity members into four classes. First, intelligent, agreeable young ladies, who, though they have had invitations, do not care to join a fraternity. Second, intelligent young ladies who lack the requisite social qualities of a fraternity member. Third, young ladies who are agreeable, and perhaps talented in some directions, who are still not up to the intellectual standard. Fourth, and a rare class in college, young ladies who, though they might have other qualifications, are wanting in principal. It is a self-evident fact that any one of these would be out of place in a fraternity, and that it would be neither for their own benefit or pleasure, nor that of the chapter to join them. Consequently there is no valid reason for anyone not a member of a fraternity to feel either grieved or slighted on that account.

We, each and all, owe allegiance and friendship to the fraternity and sisters to whom we belong, but none the less do we owe love and helpfulness to all our sisters, whether or not in the bounds of the same narrow society.

It is well that the standard of all ladies' fraternities is high, for though their influence is measured in some de-

ree by what they say and do, it is far more definitely and exactly measured by what they are.—*Delta Gamma An-hora.*

John Chinaman, My Jo.

John Chinaman, my jo, John,
When we were first acquaint,
Your locks were like the raven,
But now, old boy, they ain't.
The Micks have snatched you bald, John,
It fills my heart with woe,
But pack your kit, you daft spalpeen,
By Gorra, you've got to go !

John Chinaman, my jo, John,
When first I knew your face,
You ambled quietly along
With quaint Mongolian grace
But now you plank your nickles down
And chew the navy plug,
And deftly sport a long cigar
Athwart your ugly mug.

John Chinaman, my jo, John,
When we were first acquaint,
You were the home-bred article,
Without the Melican taint.
But now you tackle whiskey straight,
And take to lager beer,
You've lost your queue and morals too,
John Chinaman, I fear !

John Chinaman, my jo, John,
You may do well in Pekin,
But America's no place for you,
I guess you'll have to weaken,
We want no Sam Wah Lees,
For washee men nor neighbors,
So git up and dust, you son of a gun,
You've got to go, Be Jabers !

William H. Inglesby.

LATE W. G. P. IN THE SUPREME EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
KAPPA SIGMA FRATERNITY.

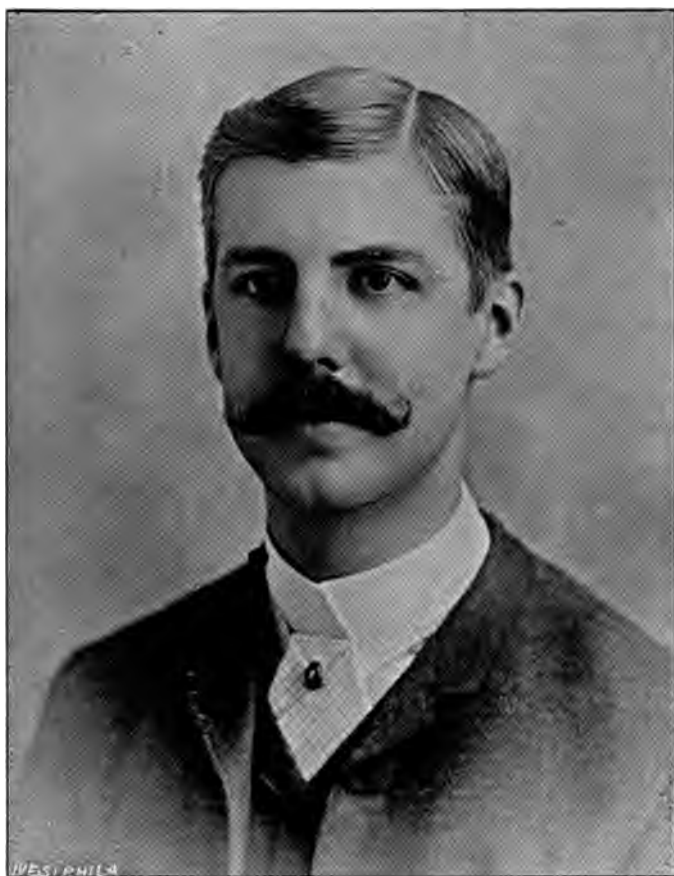
At a meeting of the Supreme Executive Committee the following preamble and resolutions upon the death of brother W. H. Inglesby were passed :

Whereas: The painful tidings of the death of our beloved brother, William H. Inglesby, who was killed in the North-eastern Railroad accident near Charleston, S. C., on June 7, 1886, has brought deep sorrow into the hearts of the officers and members of the Kappa Sigma fraternity; and

Whereas: Brother Inglesby had by his noble qualities of head and mind and his zealous work for the upbuilding and welfare of the order, endeared himself in the hearts of all true members of the brotherhood, insomuch that brother Inglesby had been trusted with the highest office within our disposal, the duties of which he filled with ability and with honor to himself, and the order, and

Whereas: At the time of his death he held the office of Worthy Grand Procurator, the *second* highest office in the order, therefore

Be it resolved by the Supreme Executive Committee of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity: That in the painful and sudden death of brother Inglesby we feel that we have lost a true and devoted brother, a wise and faithful officer, and the world an upright, honest man; and with the united and earnest prayer that the spirit of our brother has been initiated into the lively mysteries of that lodge room above where the Crescent of the triune God-head will never wane and the bright Star of Bethlehem will ever shine for man's redemption, we humbly bow to the will of the Supreme Grand Master of the Brotherhood of the Redeemed.



W. H. INGLESBY,
Late W. G. P. of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

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Resolved: That in token of our intention of emulating the virtues of our dead brother, we will wear the Crescent on our badges draped with crape for thirty days from May 15, 1886; and that a page of our QUARTERLY be devoted to his memory.

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions duly signed by the Supreme Executive Committee shall be forwarded to the family of our deceased brother in token of our deep sympathy in this, their great, overshadowing sorrow.

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the QUARTERLY for publication.

S. A. JACKSON, W. G. M.
E. W. HUGHES, W. G. M. C.
ED. L. SUTTON, W. G. S.
J. I. HURT, W. G. T.

Supreme Executive Committee.

June 12, 1886.



Chapter Letters.

SIGMA CHAPTER.

OHIO NORMAL UNIVERSITY, *Ada Ohio.*

We are glad to inform our brothers of the Kappa Sigma fraternity, that on last May, brother Ruffner of the Chi chapter came to the Ohio Normal University to establish the Sigma chapter of the above order.

The Brother remained with us for a few days and gave us the necessary instructions for which we are very grateful.

No sooner were we established than an anti-fraternity element incited by a number of students prompted by jealousy, arose which made it somewhat unpleasant, especially to the faculty.

This "mob" impertinently demanded of us to disband, the same time attempting to turn the faculty against us by threatening to leave the University.

President Lehr met us privately and laid the matter before us. After a consultation the president in substance said, gentlemen, I should be grateful to you if you should take steps to allay the bitter feeling, but do nothing to sacrifice your manhood. Seeing the situation, through policy, we passed resolutions which proved quite satisfactory to us as well as to them, as you will learn.

The week that made us *Sigmas* brought us bitter opposition in the society elections. We bore the rebuke calmly, *apparently* not caring for the results. In a short time, the opposition was buried beneath its own ruins, and Kappa Sigma came off more than conquerors.

One of our worthy Professors remarked "what surprises me is the unprincipled action of the howling mob and the judicious conduct of those fifteen boys." When the time came for honors nearly every member of the Fraternity *was made* the recipient of a slice.

Brothers E. E. Helms, L. H. Seager and C. P. Ambert were elected orators to represent their respective societies. The class-day exercises are largely rendered by the Sigmas.

Brothers F. E. Seager and E. E. Helms delivered the Philosophical and Greek orations respectively. Brothers G. A. Spence, G. A. Adams, and J. E. Virdeu, represent their respective societies as class Historians.

The Franklin Society of the annual Philo-Franklin contest is represented by Brothers, J. Montgomery, S. A. Hoskins and D. C. Meck. Two of our brothers have prominent positions in the Military Department. Others represent important committees, &c. You must certainly agree with us that we have been by no means slighted.

We have our weekly meetings and are making preparations for active work.

We close our first communication by thanking the different chapters and different individuals for their congratulations and words of advice.

Hoping to be able to grasp you all, at some future time, by the right hand of brotherhood, we remain yours in Kappa Sigma,

DAVID CHANNING MECK,
JOHN ELMER VIRDEU.

EPSILON CHAPTER.

CENTENARY COLLEGE, JACKSON, LOUISIANA.

The next issue of the *QUARTERLY* will find our chapter in the middle of vacation, so I write now according to your request. Our chapter has been progressing finely, and we have been enjoying the delicious fruits of Kappa Sigma to the fullest extent.

We have had no trouble with the faculty till a few days ago, when very much to our surprise we were arraigned before them for breaking the laws of the college. However we gave them straight talk and all of us said, under

no circumstances would we give up our rights as Kappa Sigmas. It being so near the close of the session, the faculty decided to let us continue with their consent, on condition that we would only meet once more. We having only one more regular meeting to take place, readily assented to their request and for the rest of the session, instead of being *sub rosa* we will be *super eam*.

The trustees will take action on the anti-fraternity law at their next meeting; we are now resting in suspense and hoping that they will abolish such a harmful and foolish law.

Our President (Dr. T. H. S. Adams) is a Delta Kappa Epsilon. Some of the members of that fraternity have been visiting here. They are reconnoitering and endeavoring to re-establish their old chapter which was broken up by faculty opposition and the turbulent times of the civil war.

We are delighted to hear that two more chapters have been added to our number.

We are anticipating a visit from Bro. Edward B. Fort, (Sigma) of Bayou Sara, La. He is a capital fellow and is deserving of the name of Kappa Sigma. He will spend commencement with us and attend our annual supper on the night of the 29th inst.

Since my last letter. Epsilon has initiated the following men: R. R. Jones, W. E. McWeely, A. P. Irwin and John Smyth, Jr. All of them are good Kappa Sigmas and zealous in her cause.

You will please find enclosed P. O. Order for six dollars. The subscriptions for the four above mentioned brothers. We now number twelve. All have subscribed for the QUARTERLY.

The members of Epsilon will hold a big hand in the commencement exercises, two graduates, three orators, one society president, &c.

Bro. Ellis and your humble servant are the two whom *will graduate*. We feel proud in being among the first

alumni of Epsilon Tertius and will always be ready to respond to her call, should she ever be in need of assistance.

Please send the next issue of the *QUARTERLY* to the following members and Post Offices, viz: J. H. Ellis, No. 2 Carondelet St., New Orleans, La.; C. H. Hardenburgh, Mansfield, La., M. S. Standifer and C. K. Lewis, Rustin, La.; O. K. Andrews, Jackson, Miss.; John Smyth, Jr., Waterproof, La.; W. E. McWeely, Many, La.; E. L. Irwin, Geo. H. Jones, A. P. Irwin, R. R. Jones and B. N. Smith, Jackson, La. This constitutes the membership of Epsilon. If anything occurs hereafter worthy of note I will let you know. With kind wishes for the *QUARTERLY* and best love for yourselves, I am yours sincerely in Kappa Sigma bonds.

C. H. HARDENBURGH,
Correspondent.

PI CHAPTER.

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY, MORGANTOWN, W. VA.

Since our last letter all the brothers of Pi have been so very busy preparing for examinations, &c., that it has been impossible for us to get our letter in sooner.

Commencement is over and Kappa Sigma carried off more than her share of the honors. Bro. Waters won the medal for oratory in one of the literary societies. He graduated this year, and if there was such a thing here as "first honor man" he would truly be deserving of the title.

Bro. Wilson graduated in law and expects to practice at Hamlin, W. Va. Last year he won the Regent's Prize for the best essay upon the subject, "Should trial by jury be abolished in civil cases?" Old members of the Faculty say it was the best essay they had ever heard. Bro. Blair is the coming orator of the University. Bro. Waters scarcely excels him now, and next year if there is a medal offered for oratory there is no doubt but that he will have an easy victory. He is catcher for the University nine and surpasses every other student in gymnastics.

The Kappa Sigma ball was the grandest affair ever held at the University. Music and dancing were kept up until the "wee" small hours of the morning. The only thing Pi regrets is that she could not get invitations printed by St. Clair and sent to the many different chapters. We were not certain whether or not we could get the hall, as our petition had been refused by the faculty and the Regents did not meet until commencement week. But we are all right for next year and about the middle of May every chapter can look out for an invitation and we sincerely hope many will come. Pi regrets very much to hear of the death of Bro. Inglesby and we wear our badges in mourning with heavy hearts.

We would like very much to have several Kappa Sigmas at our University next year; they will be gladly welcomed and taken care of.

Since our last letter the following have been initiated as true and loyal Kappa Sigmas: R. S. Blair, Jr., Ritchie C. H., W. Va.; F. C. Reynolds, Keyser, W. Va.; F. C. Getzendanner, Kerneysville, W. Va.; W. A. Rymer, Ritchie C. H., W. Va.; W. T. Henshaw, Martinsburg, W. Va.

We all congratulate you upon presenting the Kappa Sigmas so attractive a journal and hope that all your efforts may be crowned with success.

W. T. HENSHAW.

ZETA CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

Your correspondent cannot help feeling sad as he recognizes that with this communication, his relation with you as Zeta's correspondent is severed, and that this distinction which was once his shall be his no more forever. The gilded tie of Zeta's sacred bonds have yielded to relentless time and with the fast disappearing sands of ten short months they are suddenly broken, and in sorrow we disperse, each to his own destiny, with many a wish and *hope that our paths may sometimes approach together, if*

only close enough to clasp each other's hands in our grand old brotherly fashion. But we smile oftentimes between our tears when we think of our work and of Kappa Sigma triumphs. We fear that Zeta has slept more soundly this session than she should have done, but we have not been idle. Zeta has a peculiar way of working out her salvation, but earnestly hopes that in proportion to the slowness with which she grinds, the more surely shall she behold the light, and knowing this we beg that our sister chapters will gently scan us. We made one last effort not many months before leaving and a grand one it proved to be. Let our good brotherhood judge. We succeeded in securing to our number Bro. T. J. Hoskins, of North Carolina, who proved himself the *Lion* of our chapter, being one of seventeen graduates in medicine, out of a class of seventy; in addition, he had only pursued the study of medicine for a year. Further comment is unnecessary to my intelligent brothers. Suffice it to say, he is ready to receive congratulations from one and all under his well earned title, M. D. Bro. Harrison will return to the University next year and win the like spurs as Bro. Hoskins. Bro. Woodson has betaken himself to the springs for his *health*. He is the only handsome man Zeta boasts of and sad is the havoc he plays among the fair sex. Bro. Sewell remains at the University to pursue his study of law through the summer; he is indefatigable. Bro. Reves can be found at his home in Lynchburg. Thus are we widely separated, save only in friendship. We are very sanguine of success next year, and in closing I can only say, that I hope Zeta may be so fortunate as to obtain a more worthy correspondent for your very creditable pages.

A. E. W., *Correspondent*.

CHI CHAPTER.

PURDUE UNIVERSITY, LA FAYETTE, IND.

Our commencement occurred Thursday, June 10th, and the sons of Chi have separated for the vacation; most of

them, however expect to be back next year, when we will initiate our new hall and begin work aright. All of our brothers are juniors, but two, so we will be permitted to belong to the fraternity, that is, by the faculty.

Chi closed the year with ten names on her roll and expects to begin next year with eight of these returned. Bro. O. U. Mutz left us at the beginning of the third term and since then has been wrestling with a plow on his father's farm. Bro. M. S. Bright is reading law with Hill & Lamb, Indianapolis, and expects to be admitted to the bar very soon, and will be glad to give us any legal advice we may need.

Since our last letter to the QUARTERLY we have only added one member to our brotherhood, Bro. Stumph, and in him we found an excellent man, and we gained a victory over Sigma Chi, for they were trying to get him. We have no one spiked for next year, but we think we will have no trouble in getting those whom we would like to have, for we always show ourselves friendly and we have lots of friends; we do not go in for numbers but for quality.

Chi still holds some of the many college honors. Bro. Boyd represented us at the Carlyle Annual and acquitted himself nobly. All of our men who belong to the Carlyle Society have offices in the Society, and Bro. Lewis holds down the secretary's chair in the Irving Society.

Chi is proud to say that one of her sons was the founder of a chapter, (Sigma) and that chapter—one which bids fair to be one of our most brilliant stars.

We only have one other fraternity, Sigma Chi, to contend with and we are on very friendly terms with them and will carry on a peaceful war with them for members. We intend to hold our own, but will always try to do it honorably. Some time ago it was rumored about the college that some fellows were trying to get a charter from Chi Phi, but the charter was never granted. We can only say that we would like to see some other good *Greek*

Lodges established; for "the more the merrier," and the more interest will be taken.

As to our lady friends, we still can claim some staunch and good ones.

In conclusion: Chi sends her love to all of her sister chapters, and a hearty grasp of the hand to those who have come into our bonds since our last letter.

Fraternally yours,

AUGUSTUS RUFFNER.

LAMBDA CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE.

It again becomes my very pleasant duty to write a letter for the *QUARTERLY*, and, as the 15th is near, no time is to be lost. Brothers, J. M. McCallie and J. D. Casselberry have been appointed as correspondents for the next collegiate year, but, in view of their examinations, I consented to write whatever of interest I could collect for this issue.

The past year has been quite a successful one to Lambda Chapter, and, though some of our members will not return next year, the outlook for the future is bright.

Brother Robt. H. Baugh, Captain of "C." Co., is the most universally popular Captain, and I might say, student, in the University; graduated with honor to himself and credit to the fraternity, being one of the speakers at the commencement exercises. In him Lambda loses one of her most lawful and upright members, a loss which is irreparable. Although brother Baugh will be with us no more, yet we know his loyalty, and are sure that he will "let no motive prompt him to swerve" from his Kappa Sigma obligation.

At the "Declaimers' Contest" this year, brother J. M. McCallie won a beautiful gold medal, thus scoring another victory for Kappa Sigma.

Honors have been conferred by the University of Tenn.

on two Lambda's members, the degree of Doctor of Philosophy on W. I. Thomas, M. A., who has been an instructor of modern languages in this University for two years past, and the degree of Master of Arts on Chas. Walker, B. C. E., Ap. Ch., who has made great progress in the sciences and Chemistry and Physics during the past year. Both of these brothers are to be congratulated upon their success, and the fraternity has great reason to be proud of their achievements. Brother Thomas is especially to be congratulated because, notwithstanding the University has completed its seventy-ninth year, he is the first to receive the degree, Doctor of Philosophy. On the other hand, brother Walker is to be commended for his original investigation in Chemistry. Although a graduate of only one year's standing, he has discovered a new acid, which possesses such properties as may render it one of great importance to science.

I cannot close without an exhortation to all Kappa Sigmas to be more zealous in their work for the fraternity. Let every member of every chapter remember that it is in his power to throw honor or dishonor on our beloved brotherhood, and, bearing this in mind, we will be better able to perform our whole duty to each other in our relations as "superiors, inferiors, and equals." Thus, and thus only, can we "stand united, a band of brothers."

Again, I wish to express, in the behalf of our chapter, my delight at the success of the QUARTERLY during its first year. It has already been a power for good to the fraternity at large, and we fervently hope, and confidently expect that its influence shall continue to increase, until the heart of every Kappa Sigma in our vast Union becomes ablaze with enthusiasm, and eager for still greater conquests. I am sure that every member of Lambda, and every member of every chapter will join me in giving "honor to whom honor is due." You, the editors have nobly done the work, and to you belongs the honor.

I send the address of those subscribers who will be at home, at least during the vacation. If my letter should

prove too long, you can sacrifice to the waste basket such portions as you see fit.

J. N. BOGART.

OMICRON CHAPTER.

EMORY AND HENRY COLLEGE, EMORY, VIRGINIA.

This is a time of rejoicing for Omicron. Although the anti-fraternity law still exists, yet, as no college laws are binding after commencement, we can now meet, elect, and initiate members without the least fear. At the first of the year there were six of us, we now number eleven. We think this a sufficient excuse for being late. We wanted to await and tell the good news.

We received a good share of honors during commencement. The oratorical medal, better known as the Robinson Prize medal, was won by brother D. C. Sewell. He not only received the unanimous vote of the committee, but it was the universal opinion in that large audience that he was far in the lead. Brother J. L. Kelly won the debaters medal in one of our literary societies. Here, again, a Kappa Sigma was so far in the lead, that the committee rendered a unanimous decision. And again, as a recognition of brother Kelly's ability, he was elected to represent the society, as valedictorian, at their annual celebration. As an illustration of the popularity of our boys, although the cry of "Fraternity" created a great deal of prejudice, yet three of the four presidents in one of our societies were Kappa Sigmas. Three of the four debaters elected for our last public debate were Kappa Sigmas, and, when one of these, for private reasons, resigned the position, another brother was elected to fill the place.

We sustained a serious loss in brother Kane, one of the graduating class, leaving college during the last term. He was called away by the death of his sister and prevented from returning by his own ill health. He was much liked by all our members and highly respected by

all the students. He has our sympathy in his sorrow, and we hope to have him with us again next year.

We were well pleased with brother Richardson's suggestions with regard to alumni notes in the *QUARTERLY*, and think it could easily be made one of the most interesting departments in the paper. We were especially pleased with those in the last issue, as a large number were from Omicron. And there was a feeling of fraternal pride in our bosoms as we noticed so many in the list who had taken honors. Most of them had taken one medal, several two, and some three. Some of us who are younger members do not know these, but we are often entertained by our older brothers talking of the good times they formerly had with them.

During commencement we had the pleasure of entertaining many old members of our chapter. There was a general sentiment of joy as we gave them the grip and welcomed them back into our circle. Among these were Prof. Chas. Richardson, Prof. Socrates Petree, Dr. B. P. Sanders, J. I. Hurt, W. G. T., Prof. R. M. Copenhaver, and a number of others. Besides these there was a large number from other chapters who were not less welcome. Brother S. A. Jackson, W. G. M., was with us, and manifested his usual interest in the good of the order. Come again, brothers!

There will be four or five of us back next year, and you need have no fears for Omicron.

KNOB.

SIGMA SIGMA CHAPTER.

(GRADUATE) WYTHEVILLE, VA.

Great events are commemorated by the unveiling of statues, the noble deeds of men by the rearing of monuments. This is not a waste of sculpture or money, for great deeds are insured in the future by the celebration of great exploits of the past. They stimulate to deeds of perseverance and self-sacrifice. But it is not our purpose

at present to unveil any statues or even rear a monument, it is simply to attempt the writing of an alumni chapter letter. As this is the first epistle that has come from our newly established chapter, we, as loyal Kappa Sigmas, *en masse*, extend a hearty and cordial salutation to all our brothers in the cause of Kappa Sigma.

Though our chapter has not uttered her voice through the medium of a letter during the past year, yet her members have neither been dead nor asleep. She has been speaking by the achievements of her sons. They have proved their devotion to their fraternity by the active and successful work which they did during their collegiate life, and are no less zealous and faithful by having left college halls and academic shades.

A chapter at Wytheville seemed to many of us the *right thing* in the *right place*, and it is indispensable to the advancement of Kappa Sigmas in this portion of Virginia. That a fraternity chapter is of great value no sane man will attempt to deny when he observes the discipline and wholesome influence which is brought to bear upon those who are concerned in such an organization and the means which it affords for the inter-communication between the brethren. • Our aim shall be one, viz : the *advancement* and *promotion* of the interests of the Kappa Sigma fraternity. We can only promise our brothers that our our best efforts shall be put forth for the accomplishment of this one end. There seems to be one element among our members that always indicates good and that is, UNION, may we continue thus to "*pull together*."

Several of our members are graduated from colleges of good and prominent standing, and we sincerely hope that they will not become so hard pressed with other duties as to neglect the interests of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity or her organ, *i. e.*, the QUARTERLY. Messrs. R. Taylor Gleaves, F. H. Terry, A. E. Walker, J. R. Walker, E. A. Thomas, Ed. P. McGavock, L. W. McCaa and J. L. Allison compose the members of our chapter. We had the pleasure of a visit from Mr. O. Jordan not long since,

who is a member of the Omicron Chapter at Emory and Henry College.

Not wishing to detain you longer with this letter we will "go our way for this time" by simply stating that we hope by another time we shall be able to show the fraternity that

"We are not dead, but liveth."

Any Kappa Sigma, coming to Wytheville, will please us by making it convenient to call on us.

J. L. ALLISON.

DELTA CHAPTER.

MARYLAND MILITARY AND NAVAL ACADEMY, OXFORD, MD.

Our school is scattered now over the length and breadth of many States, and, owing to the anxiety and impatience of our brothers, the last three months in the history of Delta chapter have been uneventful.

No business of importance has been brought before the chapter, except the adoption of an annual which we will issue about the middle of August.

Our assembly hall on commencement day was the scene of another triumph for Kappa Sigma.

F. C. von Rosenberg, our Grand Master was the only graduate, and achieved a pronounced success in the delivery of his oration.

A medal having been offered for the best declaimer, the afternoon found six contestants occupying the seats of honor upon the rostrum, which was to be the scene of another success for our fraternity. The medal was won by W. R. Bell, of Maryland, and his selection was "The Polish Boy."

We think that it will not be out of place to warn our sister chapters against the evil of choosing and electing new men before they have been thoroughly tried and proved. We speak from experience, and cite as an illustration, the case where almost every member was using

every effort to secure a late arrival at the school; urged by the thought that the other chapter would secure him, we used all the inducements that we could offer but were unsuccessful, and fortunate for us that we were, as the young man was expelled but a short time since for falsehood, and left the school in disgrace.

Although the members of Delta are widely separated we are still bound together by bonds of brotherly love, and we have the promise of each and every member that he will advance the cause of Kappa Sigma in his State and strive to forward her interests.

There will be three Kappas in town during the vacation and we will keep a good look out for recruits, and sharp will be the eye, and quick the hand of the rival chapter should she obtain the pick of the new-comers.

The three remaining representatives of Delta chapter met last evening and expressed their sincere regret and sympathy at the death of their esteemed brother, W. H. Inglesby.

We knew him not, yet the mere fact of his having held such a high position in the fraternity is enough to show that he was worthy of our esteem and hence is worthy of our regret.

"May he rest in peace."

G. L. ABELL.

UPSILON CHAPTER.

HAMPDEN SIDNEY COLLEGE, VIRGINIA.

Since our last letter Upsilon has been noiselessly, but we hope, surely pursuing the path of duty. A large number of the students will not return to college next year and Upsilon, along with some other fraternity chapters, will be almost decimated. We are, however, ready for the coming students, and unless our plans are frustrated we will remain in full vigor and will be, we hope, an honor to the Crescent and Star. But let us look at the bright

side for a moment. Bro. Griffin W. Bull was, by a large majority, elected the Declaimer Medalist of the Union Literary Society. Bro. Bull should be especially felicitated in overcoming a rival, who, having taken a medal under Prof. Willoughby Reade, was thought to be invincible. Bro. Jas. R. Walker "bagged" the Declaimer's Medal of the Philanthropic Society over very formidable competitors. Two of the Philanthropic editors of the H. S. Magazine are Kappa Sigmas. Upsilon is by no means dead; she does not even sleep. Bro. K. P. Pell, (H.) who has been a student in the Union Theological Seminary left us early in April for Harrisonburg, Va., where he has charge of a church for the summer. He will return to the Seminary next fall. Owing to the large number of students it has been impossible for us to secure a hall in the college building. This has always been one of our chief difficulties. But we hope that this difficulty will soon vanish under the efforts of our worthy college president, who hopes soon to erect a Memorial Hall, in which all the fraternities shall be able to secure suitable halls. But whether his efforts will prove successful or not, the cause of Kappa Sigma must and shall go steadily on, and we shall work with the determination that what we have begun shall not be given up until success shall have crowned our efforts.

Fraternally yours,

S. F. HURT.

PSI CHAPTER.

MAINE STATE COLLEGE, ORONO, ME.

To me has Psi assigned the duty of corresponding with the QUARTERLY, and it is with pleasure that I commence my first letter.

The months that have passed since your last issue have been months of improvement for us, and our prospects at the end of the term, soon to close, will be bright, indeed beyond our most sanguine expectations.

As was stated in our last letter twelve of our members were expected back this term, but beyond an occasional visit, Bro. Ruth has remained away.

He has been engaged in teaching the High School at Frankfort, where he has been very successful. He will, however, be here next spring term.

The initiates this term have been J. W. Lewis and A. W. Sargent; these bring the number of our chapter members up to fourteen.

Our rooms at Irons village were finished April first, and everything about them was exactly suited to our needs except the difficulty of access.

This cause alone has led us to accept the offer of a suite of rooms located in the chapel building of the college.

Besides being very convenient the rooms are well adapted for our use, and will be ready for our occupancy by commencement. Sadly shall we miss brothers Ayer and Blagden, whom we lose this year by graduation. The prosperity of Psi is, in a large measure, due to them.

Sympathizing with our brother chapters in the loss of our efficient Worthy Grand Procurator, Mr. Inglesby, and hoping to hear good news from them all in the next QUARTERLY, I am, Fraternally,

A. W. SARGENT.

KAPPA CHAPTER.

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE.

Kappa chapter, although rather late, still responds to the call of duty. Examinations have been holding their "reign of terror" at Vanderbilt, but thanks to Father Time, they are now over, and we find that "all is quiet on the Potomac to-night."

Since our last report Kappa has not been at a standstill, and we can still say, onward and upward. Last Monday afternoon E. E. Hardin stood the test and was declared a lawful and upright Kappa Sigma and Kappa chapter, as

well as Kappa Sigma, should feel that we have done wonders, for no better man ever accomplished the perilous journey.

Next year I think it very probable that we shall have five men, if not more, to begin the good work with.

Two of our men have graduated, Bros. Hicks and Cragwall taking the degree of B. E. But Bro. Hicks will probably return and take a post-graduate course.

Kappa Sigma had the President and Secretary of the graduating class. Bro. Cragwall, President, and Bro. Hicks, Secretary. Bro. Hicks has been elected alumni editor of the *Vanderbilt Observer* and requests all alumni Kappa Sigmas to let their whereabouts and occupation be known. His address is: Care of Commercial Insurance Company, Nashville, Tennessee. Bro. Cragwall is secretary of the Vanderbilt Athletic Association. Bro. Hardin, Tau, of '87, was one of the contestants for the Founder's Medal in oratory, and tied for the medal, but fate was against him in the toss up. Bros. E. E. Montague and W. B. Thompson were contestants for the State Oratorical Medal and did credit to themselves and Kappa Sigma. Bro. Thompson's speech was pronounced by the local press to be a master piece of oratory.

During the oratorical contest we were honored by a visit from Bro. Ed. L. Sutton and brothers from Clarksville, Sewanee and Lebanon, and for a month afterward Vanderbilt boys were loud in their praises of Kappa Sigmas.

So you see from these reports that Kappa chapter, as well as Kappa Sigma still are "up and doing."

Fraternities at Vanderbilt are secure and happy. Sigma Alpha Epsilon has withdrawn her charter and in her place Sigma Nu has come to us to be received with a happy smile and "glad to see you."

The students of Vanderbilt University have organized an athletic association, and Vanderbilt is in every other way coming to the front and will ere long be one of the foremost institutions in the land.

Kappa chapter deeply mourns the loss of our worthy and esteemed brother, W. H. Inglesby, and feels that his loss can never be replaced.

This is probably my last official duty for Kappa chapter of Kappa Sigma, and it is with a heavy heart that I lay down my arms from my labor of love, and always I will remember the happy hours spent in Kappa Sigma hall, and even in the future when duty calls none will be more ready to respond than I.

Finally to Kappa Sigma's, one and all, farewell.

J. A. CRAGWALL.

Editorials.

ADIEU.

It is with feelings of profound regret that I am now forced to sever my connections with the QUARTERLY, but the presure of other business is such that I cannot give a proper attention to the duties that devolve upon me as a member of its editorial staff, and therefore think it best to withdraw.

It is inexplicable, the fatherly feeling one entertains for a publication with which he has been connected; add to this the fact of being present at the birth of that magazine; the zealous, anxious care that must accompany the weeks and months of its infancy, and then, just as it has reached an age and position that makes one proud of being connected with it; to be forced to give it up, is, to say the least, provoking.

I have had, during my life, several *proteges* that interested, instructed and amused me, but only for the QUARTERLY can I feel that sentiment which Dickens uttered when in bidding adieu to his most popular literary work he said:

"Like many fond parents, I have in my heart of hearts a favorite child. And his name is David Copperfield!"

To those who have assisted us by contributing articles, to those who have so encouraged us with their support and approbation, and to "the brethren of the press," who have been so kind in their criticisms of us, I desire to extend my sincerest thanks; feeling assured they will continue to support so praiseworthy an object as our fraternity magazine.

Now, with my hand upon my heart, in true stage style, and with a sweeping bow to all my friends, I—subside.

R. TAYLOR GLEAVES.

PAY UP.

After this issue there will be a change in the management of the *QUARTERLY*; this will necessitate a settling up of all the business. We therefore urge upon all who are in arrears on subscription to forward the amount of their indebtedness *at once*. We hope there will be no delay in attending to this matter as it is absolutely necessary for us to settle all current accounts before the next number appears.

RHO ANNUAL.

Rho chapter, at Dahlonga, Ga., has issued a neat *Annual*. It contains a sketch of North Georgia Agricultural College, a list of the fraternities there, an outline history of Rho chapter, its charter members, initiates, &c., and is altogether a neat and interesting little book.

VOLUME I.

This number closes the first volume of the Kappa Sigma *QUARTERLY*, and we regret that lack of time prevents our giving a *resume* of the successes achieved by the Kappa

Sigma Fraternity, and her many members, during the past year. At any rate, we hope none will deny us the pleasant conceit that a measure of this success was due to the QUARTERLY. For we have labored faithful to make it a vehicle of communication between our widely scattered chapters and members. As to how we have succeeded; the many chapter letters, individual and private letters received, speak loudly for us. It is also an acknowledged fact that, during the past year, more chapters have been organized and more men initiated into the order than during any period, of equal length, in the history of the fraternity.

While the QUARTERLY has done some good; there is much more to be accomplished, *i. e.*, the increasing the strength of our Brotherhood until it shall become such a power in the land that not only all great men but all good acts will bear upon them the imprint of the Star and Crescent. Let the succeeding years be characterized by that strong, united effort that has been put forth by our Brothers during the past one, and we may rest assured that the day is not distant when it shall be a man's proudest boast to say: I am a Kappa Sigma!

THE NEW W. G. P.

By reference to the Directory it will be seen that Augustus Ruffner, of Charleston, W. V., succeeds Wm. H. Inglesby (a notice of whose sad death appears in this issue) as W. G. P. in the Supreme Executive Committee.

While Bro. Ruffner is unknown personally, to many of our readers he is well known by reputation. Being one of our most zealous and earnest workers, and one who, on account of his ability and keen business sense, is well qualified for the high position to which he has been called.

NEW CHAPTERS.

In this number will be found letters from two new

chapters. Sigma, located at Ohio State University, Ada Ohio, and Sigma Sigma (Graduate), located at Wytheville, Va.

The first of these, as can be seen by their letter, is in a decidedly flourishing condition. They have an unlimited supply of the best material on which to work, and our "Buckeye" brethren bid fair, the first year, to rival if not excell many chapters of long standing.

The second, our own Sigma Sigma, is a model, in its way. It is composed of Lawyers, Doctors, Clergymen, Merchants, Journalists and bloated Capitalists, who do nothing. The rooms in which we meet should be seen to be appreciated; they contain, in addition to the usual "instruments and appurtenances," a goodly supply of elegant glass-ware, sundry bottles, jugs, &c., with contents more or less depleted, and other things that tend to quicken the intellect and produce those brilliant flashes of wit that so characterize a meeting of this body. There is one thing particularly that would impress a visitor to those rooms, that is the clock; it stands on a table draped with a wealth of crimson velvet, is encircled with a golden horse shoe, and on its face bears the legend "Take Simmons Liver Regulator."

The latch string to these rooms hangs without, and Kappa Sigma's, who chance to come this way, will always receive an "Old Virginia" welcome.

CONSOLIDATION OR INDEPEDANCE.

In this number will be found an admirable article on the above subject. It is short and to the point and we commend to any of our order who have entertained the idea of consolidating with fraternities of which they know comparatively little.

DELAYED.

We have been much delayed, in issuing this number, on

account of some trouble in procuring the plates for the portraits which appear in it. We were also much pressed for time to look after the publication, but we hope to have all future issues come out promptly between the first and tenth of each month specified.

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No. 1.

Stephen A. Jackson.

The family from which is descended the subject of this sketch is an old English one, preserving their records back as far as the reign of William and Mary.

We find several brothers about the middle of the last century seeking their fortunes in America, and subsequently fighting for our independence; but we shall only notice, briefly, these two brothers, viz: Edward and John, who settled in Virginia and are the ancestors of the branches known as the West Virginia Jacksons.

Edward and Martha, his wife, and their children, and John and family, and a few others, together, left their temporary home, near New Castle, Delaware, for the head waters of the Potomac, or the Great Ohio Valley. When they reached the section now known as the Moorefield Valley, John concluded to stop, but Edward pressed on farther and settled near Clarksburg, then a small villiage. Some fifteen or twenty years later, John moved with his family to Upshur county, within about twenty miles from where Edward had settled.

From the large number of descendants of these two brothers there have been representatives in Congress, in the Virginia, West Virginia and Kentucky Legislatures, several generals and judges, and two governors of West Virginia.

STEPHEN ALONZO JACKSON is the fifth from Edward, and was born September 22nd, 1852, whilst his father, Minter Jackson, was a member of the Virginia Legislature. His mother was Mary Fell, and her father was

a descendant of a Quaker of that name who came over with William Penn; but S. A. Jackson's mother died before he was five years old and his early training devolved upon his grandmother, Fell (born Francis Scott.)

James Scott, the maternal great-grandfather was born in Tulley Valley, County Tyrone, Ireland; married a Miss Scott of Roxburgshire, Scotland, a cousin to Sir Walter Scott, who was spoken of by those who knew her as being quite beautiful.

S. A. Jackson has endeared himself to Kappa Sigma because of the work he has done for the order. He entered Emory and Henry College, September, 1868, and the University of Virginia, October 1st, 1871, and took a lively interest in the Kappa Sigma fraternity from the day he entered Zeta chapter. He was associated in Zeta with Rev. Samuel M. Smith, Dr. James H. Durham, Goodwin DeH. Williams, Richard E. Boykin, and others, older in the cause than himself; all of whom, at that time, except Dr. Durham and himself, were opposed to extending the order. However, in 1872, Brother Jackson started Omicron chapter, which was not chartered until 1873. In February, 1873, Brother Jackson obtained a charter and established H. chapter at Trinity College, N. C. Brother Jackson then established the following chapters:

Nu Chapter: { Va. State College, } Blacksburg, Va..
 { June 17, 18, 1874. }

Lambda Chapter: { University of Tenn., } Knoxville.
 { May 10, 11, 1880. }

Phi Chapter: { S. W. P. University, } Clarksville, Tenn.
 { April 11, 12, 1882. }

Pi Chapter: { University of West Va., Sept., } Morgantown.
 { '83, reorganized Mar. 1, 2, '86. }

Upsilon Chapter: { Hampden Sidney College, } Va.
 { Nov. 13, 14, 1883. }

Psi Chapter: { Maine State College, } Orono, Me.
 { Jan. 1, 2, 1886. }

Omega Chapter: { University of the South, } Sewanee,
 { May, 1882. } Tenn.

He also presided at the meetings which initiated the founders of M. Xi K. P. and X., and has visited most of the chapters. He was called to the chair and presided over the first American Conclave of the chapters, held in Baltimore.

He married Mary Cloyd Ernest, of Va., and has two sons, Ernest and Minter.

He has attended every convention, and we hope he will add his presence to many biennial conventions in the future.

It Doesn't Pay.

Lifting members from one fraternity to another does not pay. As it is not justified on moral grounds and is still persisted in by several fraternities, it would seem that it does offer some material advantage; but when the business is investigated it fails to yield a single trace of gain to either party.

In the first place, a society organized for mental, moral and social improvement stultifies itself in inducing a person to break his pledged word for the sake of self-interest, because it thus loses its claim to be considered a means of moral culture. This leaves it only two stated objects, or reasons for existence, one of them not generally accepted as valid, and both weakened by the breaking down of the moral claim. This condition is highly impolitic, for it at once puts the fraternity in the position either of having objects which are too dishonest to be avowed, or of being foolish enough to have started out without knowing what its objects were. Furthermore, a necessary consequence of this connivance at a broken promise is the loss of public confidence, for it is evident that if the fraternity does not regard contracts as sacred, it will have to be held to its own by law and that essence of law—punishment.

To this, however, the "practical politicians" in fraternity might answer that a slight loss of reputation will not weigh long against success, and that most of the talk will be called "losers' arguments" and will soon die out and leave them to the enjoyment of their prize. As the world goes, this is measurably true, and brings us to the consideration of the pith of the question: Whether the prize is worth the trouble or not. As a matter of fact, it is not—never is, and in the nature of things can not be.

The experience of the Greek world has found out and admitted that the absolutely necessary qualities in a fraternity member are not brilliancy of intellect and address, though these are desirable; but first fidelity and loyalty, and next, and growing out of these, a capacity for friendship and companionship. The safeguard and life blood of fraternity are fidelity to the letter of a promise and loyalty to the spirit of it; the principle of fraternity is self-sacrifice—the first element of real friendship. But a lifted member must have either a weak will or a corrupt nature, for it is not possible that one should be induced to revoke his own judgment and break his word in a matter of this kind, except as having been over-persuaded against his will, or else offered superior advantages of some sort—that is to say, bribed. And how can it be supposed by anyone that a weak, vacillating creature, who could not be true to himself and his own ideas, can be true to fraternity? or how is it to be thought that one who was persuaded to break through every consideration of honor and gratitude, for the sake of self-interest, will ever do otherwise than consider his own pleasure and advancement before everything else? He was bribed, not with money, but with "congeniality," social advantages, numbers, college position, or something of the kind; and whereas one can watch a bribed congressman till he does the piece of political service he was hired for, it must be extremely hard and uncertain work to watch a member through his college course to keep him from running the *fraternity* to suit his own schemes and afterward to keep

alive a fraternity interest in him when fraternity can no longer serve his immediate advantage. The very fact that a lifted member is usually brainy and popular is a menace to the fraternity that takes him, for it has no sort of leverage to manage his actions. Law controls by punishment, but fraternity does not possess and can not get hold of any punishment that would frighten an unscrupulous person. Equity controls by force of honor, justice, due consideration for all parties; but it would be a fine paradox to attempt to urge these against the selfishness of one who has just been taught by those who attempt to control him that self-interest is the supreme good in the world. Fraternity has not even an apparent claim to the obedience of a lifted member, for while the bribe-taker is usually made the servant of the bribe-payer, in this case the one who takes the bribe is actually the superior, for he has been paid to be, not a tool, a menial, the soiled step that is touched reluctantly by a climbing foot, but an equal, a brother, an intimate and constant associate.

But if a lifted member is an uncertain and ungovernable quantity in active fraternity life, there is no doubt at all as to the sort of an alumnus he will be. If he was pulled into the fraternity through being too weak to resist it, he will be pulled some other way as soon as he gets out of college, and there will be an end to him as a fraternity member. If he was lifted by the force of self-interest, after the fraternity has helped him through his college career, it will be abandoned by him like any other useless thing.

To sum up, the only advantage that a fraternity ever gets from a lifted member is the praise of successful trickery and the name of having won a "smart" man. But a reputation for unscrupulousness comes to be a serious disadvantage in business transactions, and a fraternity gets no glory from qualities that it did not help to develop, even if these do not prove merely a pillory for the exhibition of a bad character.

Does it pay to buy this sort of rubbish with the honor that should constitute the defense of fraternity and with the esteem of all right-minded people? "Lifting" is a pretty good word, but after all it does not wholly express the inwardness of the process. It was the Scotch euphemism for stealing when the borderers used to go into England and drive off cattle; but then they were good cattle that were taken, and they were not ruined by being driven over the marches.

From a moral point of view, lifting members is a wrong; from a worldly point of view, it is a monumental folly. K. K. G., did not need this latter assurance; but our Greek brothers are generally so much in the right that any course followed by them demands consideration. We are sorry to disapprove so entirely of this one; but the thing is true and needed to be said, and if the world had been girdled with a ring of lifted members, we should have had to say it just the same.—*Golden Key.*

To A Cloud.

Stay! snowy cloud on yonder height,
Where darkest pines
In rugged lines
Now sink their beauty in thy white
And breathe repose and sweetly woo
Thee, virgin vapor of the pearly blue.

HENRY E. FRASER,
In Delta Upsilon Quarterly.

Secret Societies.

As a prelude to an article on the Beta Theta Pi fraternity, in the August 28th issue of the Cincinnati *Graphic News*, the *Graphic*, in speaking of secret societies, says:

"It would be a matter of surprise, no doubt, to most of our readers to learn that such an apparently trivial thing as the secret societies into which the students of our colleges are so fond of grouping themselves, had developed into a governmental system which, three years ago, numbered seventy-five thousand adherents, and which, in no small measure, assists in moulding the minds of susceptible youths while they are receiving their education. Nevertheless such is the fact. The older and better of our colleges, including nearly every one in the United States having more than a local patronage, and not under the exclusive control of a religious denomination, has one or more societies among its students. They started about fifty years ago, and have spread and become more and more popular and influential, until now the edicts of their governing boards control the conduct of students more powerfully than the command of the faculties. The members associated together by common ties of friendship, or mutual college interests, have retained their interest in the societies long after their graduation; they have endeavored to make the union between the members binding and lasting and useful, and the result, while quietly obtained, is surprising in its importance.

Thirty or forty years ago, when the student started from home to enter the freshman class, his outfit consisted of a couple of changes of linen in a glazed oil-cloth bag, a testament, presented by a tearful mother, the stern commands of his father to behave himself and do his family credit, and a miscellaneous stock of mingled advice and admonition from his maiden aunts. As a freshman, he was hazed by the sophomores, hazed them in turn when he got a chance, and went through the various phases of

college life, coming into contact only with the faculty and the upper and lower classmen, in official or mischievous relations. Now this is all changed. The freshman finds himself the unexpected object of solicitude to the members of numerous societies, whose Greek names and glittering badges he can not recall, but whose cordial hospitalities he is nowise loth to entertain. Finally, after having long lists of eminent members shown to him by rival claimants, and the different merits or demerits of each, discussed *ad nauseam*, he joins one in sheer desperation. To his parents, probably it seems a trivial matter whether their son becomes a member of Chi Pi or Alpha Rho—each seem equally devoid of real meaning. But such is not the case in fact. The new member will find, that as he has cast his lot, so will his fate be, and the most momentous question of all his life-time may be answered in deciding which society he will adhere to. He finds that he is thrown more and more into contact with his fellow-members. If he has become a member of one of the best of the “orders,” with a good reputation and wide spreading influence, he will learn, probably, that the brothers dwell together in a “chapter” house, owned or rented by the society; that this social position is at once fixed by the status of the society; that the home influences he left behind him are unexpectedly encountered around the hearth of his chapter home, and that he will be aided and assisted in every way to become a better man and student. He will learn that men whose names he regards with awe as eminent in affairs, and who have graduated years ago, still keep up an interest in their chapter, and advise and assist it when necessary. He will soon feel a real and personal interest in their doings, and in those of his society brothers in other colleges. If he attends the conventions of his society, he will meet college students from all parts of the country, acknowledging the same ties as himself, and all striving to realize an enthusiastic ideal in their relations with each other.

As can readily be understood, if such is the result when the student joins a good society, far more important is the

result if the organization happens to be one devoted to dissipation and money spending. Happily such are few, but they exist, and parents should look carefully to see that their son belongs to a good society, or to none at all. The college societies are usually governed by Boards of Directors composed of older members, and who, acting directly upon the students, in many colleges, at once accomplish wide-reaching results, simply and effectually. They have put down hazing, and have assisted at other college reforms in a way that college faculties see in the results only."

Resolutions on the Death of the Late Wm. H. Inglesby.

The following tribute of respect, from Phi chapter, was received in ample time for insertion in our July issue, but owing to unintentional neglect it was omitted, which we do most sincerely regret. The tribute of respect:

"Whereas, in His inscrutable wisdom and divine providence, it has pleased Almighty God, the maker of heaven and earth and the ruler of the universe, to remove from our midst and from the world our beloved friend and brother in Kappa Sigma, Wm. H. Inglesby, of Virginia,

And, whereas Bro. Inglesby had held for years and was still holding and discharging the duties of one of the highest offices of dignity and trust in the Fraternity and has always done so in a manner meeting with and meriting the highest commendation, warmest praise and deepest gratitude of the brothers in the Order. And whereas, we believe that in the death of Brother Inglesby the Kappa Sigma fraternity has sustained an irreparable loss—one which it may and must learn to endure, but which time cannot restore—that it has lost a friend true and loyal and tried in the day of adversity—and a brother loving and beloved by all with whom he came in contact—that the world has lost a true and noble type of manhood in

the highest sense of the word, and that the family of our deceased brother have been bereft of one of the brightest jewels in its circle of loved ones. Therefore be it

Resolved, That we of Phi chapter extend to our brothers in Kappa Sigma our deepest sympathy in this loss which falls equally, yet so heavily upon us all.

2. That we offer our heartfelt condolence to the friends, and especially to the family of our lamented brother, in this, the hour of their affliction, when the hand of God seems heavy upon them.

3. That the members of the Phi chapter invert their badges and drape them in crape, and that they wear them thus for 30 days in remembrance of the brother that has gone from us.

3. That a copy of this preamble and resolutions be given to the *Clarksville Tobacco Leaf* for publication and that another be forwarded to the *Kappa Sigma Quarterly* to be published, and a copy of said Quarterly be forwarded to the family of the deceased.

J. P. DUNLOP,
CHARLES BEAUMONT,
DUNCAN MARTIN,
Committee.

Chapter Letters.

DELTA CHAPTER.

M. M. N. A.,

OXFORD, MD., Sept. 23, 1886.

Editor Kappa Sigma Quarterly :—

DEAR SIR:—Brother Von Rosenberg has just called my attention to the fact that it is time for Delta's letter to be on its way to the "Quarterly."

In a walk about the Academy you may look where you will, on the parade ground, through the halls, and even in

the sacred precincts of the class room, and there will be seen a bright faced and intelligent featured cadet "button-holed" by some zealous Kappa Sigma who is endeavoring to imbue his hearer with the objects and intents of our beloved fraternity. We may say honestly that our efforts have not been unavailing, and that we hope to initiate several of the new men into our mystic circle at our next meeting.

Kappa Sigma is represented this term by thirteen of the old members, viz: Capt. F. C. Von Rosenberg, Capt. W. M. Cooper, Capt. J. F. McIndoe, Capt. C. E. Wootten, Lieut. A. N. Betts, Lieut. J. H. Covington, Lieut. J. H. Allbright, Lieut. W. H. Osborne, and Serjts. L. Taylor, C. B. Hayes, W. R. Bell and F. B. Peters.

Our thanks are due Capt. Von Rosenberg, Delta, for issuing during the vacation, an annual of our chapter, of which I send you a copy.

The outlook for the ensuing year is a cheerful one, and with two hundred cadets to choose from, Delta will bud and blossom anew.

As the following personals may be of some interest I add them:

Brother F. C. Von Rosenberg is one of the faculty at the M. M. N. A., Oxford, Md.

Brother D. P. Rock is editing a paper in Texas.

Brother W. J. Miller has become a merchant in Dyersburg, Tenn.

Brother C. B. Burke will attend the Vanderbilt University.

Brother W. S. Albert is at his home in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Brother T. W. Hazlehurst is with a wholesale grocery firm in Macon, Ga.

Brother B. R. Logie is teaching school among the hills of West Va.

Brother J. H. Wagner is attending school at Bingham.

Haste and the confusion attendant upon the first days

of the term must be my excuse for not sending a longer letter.

G. L. ABELL,
Correspondent.

P. S.—There is but one other fraternity represented here, which is Gamma chapter of Gamma Delta Psi with eleven of her old men here this year. I could not obtain the full number of her roll. We have nothing to fear from *her*.

TAU CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS,

AUSTIN, TEXAS, *Sept.*, 17, 1886.

Editor Kappa Sigma Quarterly :—

DEAR EDITOR:—After three months of pleasant vacation, we are again assembled together to “reap in a store of learning,” to renew past associations and companionship, and to work in the interest and to the advancement of our glorious order.

The University opened with a very flattering attendance, but no more so than Tau chapter, for we begin the new session much better than any before—having nine members at this to four at the beginning of last session. The loyal bearers of the Star and Crescent are Bros. Astin, Bee, Clark, Dawson, Fisher, Hamilton, Huck, Smith and Stoneham.

We, of Tau, who reside in Austin, had the pleasure of a visit during vacation from Bro. Hardenbergh, of Epsilon. He is such a high toned gentleman and zealous brother that it gave us pleasure to know that we were Kappa Sigmas with him. He now resides in San Antonio, Texas. With Bros. Bondurant and Hardenbergh as our frequent visitors, Tau is fortunate indeed.

We are all becoming more and more enthused over our great work, and will earnestly endeavor to raise Kappa Sigma to a more enviable position in the University, and

hope to make Tau a greater credit and honor to the fraternity at large. We have lost Bros. Gielis and Maxwell by their failure to return. Bro. Gielis is Supt. of Public Schools in Woalde, Texas, and Bro. Maxwell is "teaching the young idea how to shoot" at San Marcos, Texas. Bro. Vinson is in the land business at Breerham, Texas.

Yesterday we initiated Henry Clay Percy, of Austin. Tau feels fortunate in having such a bright acquisition to her membership roll. I hope to glitter the paper in my next letter with the names of new initiates.

With best wishes from Tau to yourself and to the fraternity at large, I remain

Yours Fraternally,

EDWARD BEE,
Correspondent.

PHI CHAPTER.

SOUTH-WESTERN PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY,
CLARKSVILLE, TENN., *Sept. 20th, 1886.*

Phi neglected to send a letter to the last number of the "Quarterly" as we were in the midst of vacation and Bro. Jos. Dunlop, our correspondent, was not in the city. He is now attending Eastman College, N. Y. We have been rather unfortunate this year as the building in which we had our chapter hall has been torn down and we now meet in one of the society halls, but are on the look-out for a more suitable place. We have been honored by a visit from Bro. Schoolfield, of Memphis, who was a great help to us in arranging our business for the new year.

We have initiated three men, namely: Bros. Henry and Daniels, of Tenn., and Keesee, of Arkansas, and we have our eye on several more. We will all subscribe for the "Quarterly" on the 1st of October and hope that Vol. II. will be as good as the first.

Yours fraternally,

T. E. SNOWDEN,
Correspondent.

THE KAPPA SIGMA QUARTERLY.
OMICRON CHAPTER.

EMORY & HENRY COLLEGE,

EMORY, Va., Sept. 17, 1886.

Another vacation has past, another term begun and the *star* and *crescent* has come back to Emory, covering hearts as loyal to Kappa Sigma as any within the Twelfth Gate. Our roll, at present, consists of five members, to which we expect to add soon brother Preston.

Our meetings are "a mixture of pleasure and pain." It certainly does give us pleasure to be back in the old hall as a band of brothers, amid scenes that recall so many pleasant recollections. But, then, we miss so many of those who helped to make these recollections so pleasant, and to whom we have been accustomed to look for advice and guidance. Brother Miller is at Vanderbilt studying to complete the course in ancient languages, and will then take law. Brother Sewell is at his home in Lee county, Va., preparing to begin the study of law. Brother Kelly is wrestling with law books in his father's office at Marion, Va. Brother Sprinkle will go to Baltimore shortly to study pharmacy. Brother Compton is assisting his father till the soil and raise fat cattle in Bland county, Va. Bro. Kane is preparing to come back for the spring term and compete for the valedictory and medals in oratory, debating and composition.

But despite these losses, Omicron is still here, and here to stay. She has passed some right dark seasons, but none dark enough to bury her in despair. Stringent college laws can never crush her. In the first place, our members are too devoted. Their love for the order is undying, and their zeal for its welfare unbounded. Again, the conditions of the college are too favorable. Young men of good families, high social standing and strong characters are continually coming in to fill the places of those leaving. And again, Kappa Sigma in general and Omicron in particular stand too high in the estimation of the students. They realize the fact that to become a "Kappa Sigma and wear the badge" is indeed a privilege;

that it is an admission into the fellowship of the noble and true. As a result of this, those whom we invite, we initiate. We have, at present, under consideration five or six men. So far they have conducted themselves properly, gaining the confidence of the faculty and the respect of their fellow students. We hope, in our next, to be able to introduce them to our brethren.

During last year we were opposed by two fraternities, the Sigma Alpha Epsilon and the Rainbow, so far we have not been able to learn what they are doing. The S. A. E.'s opened with four and the Rainbows with three members. We believe that the former contemplate active work, but it is reported that the latter have consolidated with another fraternity and withdrawn their chapter.

Any Kappa Sigma passing this way will be cordially received at Emory.

CADMUS.

ZETA CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, Oct. 2nd, 1886.

To the Kappa Sigma Quarterly:—

Our little band of brothers at Zeta are going to make a great effort to keep the chapter up in a manner which all K. S.'s will be proud. Our number is small, but we will try and select men who will be an honor to us, as well as we honor them.

Of last years chapter, Bro. Hoskins, M. D., is practicing his chosen profession in which he distinguished himself by graduating in one year. Bro. Woodson is in Baltimore pursuing his medical studies, where, doubtless, he will make his degree in the spring. Bro. Sewell remained over at the University and took the summer law course, and those who knew said "he was certainly up on law." Concerning Bro.'s Rives and Walker, I know nothing, but hope they will let Zeta hear of their whereabouts. So far, this year, Zeta boys, as formerly, cast their lot in the professions, law and medicine. Brother John W. Tinsley, of

Petersburg, Va., was to see me just before I left home, and spoke very affectionately of K. S. He expects to go to Savannah, Ga., to teach this year, then to return to Zeta next. Having just opened here, we have not accomplished much work, but rest assured we are not asleep.

Yours in bonds of K. S.,

V. W. HARRISON,
Scribe.

P. S.—Please send “Quarterly” to my address.

[Bro. Walker is in this place practicing law with his father, Gen. Walker.—ED. QUARTERLY.]

EPSILON CHAPTER.

CENTENARY COLLEGE,

JACKSON, LA., Sept. 28, 1886.

Editor Kappa Sigma Quarterly:—

DEAR EDITOR:—The light of the star and crescent, not dimmed by the lapse of months, shines once more brightly in this section of our Sunny South. The invigorating effect of the grand re-union of Epsilon with its members has not yet died out, but promises to continue, growing greater and greater as time advances. We are now eight strong, but the time is not far distant when we shall bring other “sheep into the fold,” and bestow upon them in exchange for their fleece of black, one as white and as pure as snow. We are no longer under the restriction of anti-fraternity laws, as the trustees, before whom the matter was taken, left it entirely to the discretion of the faculty, who, a majority being fraternity men, abolished the law altogether. Some of the faculty are members of the Delta Kappa Epsilon and Kappa Alpha. If chapters are established here of these fraternities, they will of course have a good foundation, but we know that there has been no talk of it so far this session, and when there is any, we will not be caught with our eyes shut or “napping,” when there is anything to be gained. We

were grieved the other day to hear of the death of Bro. Hardenbergh's mother, his only near relative, and it is consoling to Epsilon to know that He who takes away those whom we love, raises up true friends and brothers to sympathize with us in our bereavement. We will look forward with great anticipation to the coming of the "Quarterly," which never fails to bring with it most valuable news.

Yours fraternally,

B. N. SMITH,
Correspondent.

RHO CHAPTER.

NORTH GEORGIA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE,

DAHLONEGA, GA., Sept. 23, 1886.

Rho commences her second year's work with brilliant prospects. Refreshed and exhilarated by the summer's vacation, the Kappa Sigmas have returned determined to make their chapter the *ne plus ultra* of this institution. Among the promotions last commencement, Rho stands highest. Only four lieutenants were appointed among the commissioned officers, and Rho makes this showing: Messrs. H. B. Cobb, E. L. Phillips, W. T. Shockley, lieutenants; and C. D. McRea, sergeant-major. We have now two seniors, and in all the different classes Kappa Sigma leads the other fraternities. Rho has decided not to adopt the miscellaneous initiation system of the other fraternities, but right here men must be tried before Rho assumes the obligation to make them Kappa Sigmas. We believe in the phrase—"few but select," and upon this basis we have determined to build up our chapter until the glorious band of Kappa Sigma will find no mean representative in Rho. Bro. J. P. Stribling graduated with the highest honors last June, and this necessarily deprives us of a valuable member. Bro. McRae will arrive shortly and bring a younger brother. Bro. J. B. Martin, '88, is in the mercantile business at Milner, Ga. Our able and zealous secretary, Bro.

E. C. Cartledge, will soon arrive. Bro. Rowllins is now at his home in Rome, Ga. Bro. Sutton, our former associate but now a resident of Atlanta, has been troubled with a serious affliction of the eyes for some time but is now improving rapidly.

More anon,

W. T. SHOCKLEY,
Correspondent.

OMEGA CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH,

SEWANEE, TENNESSEE, September 14, 1886.

Dear Editor :—

Since you have not had a letter from Omega in the "Quarterly" for some time, I will try and give you a short sketch of what we have been doing since the last one, which was in April, I believe. Last March when school opened only five Kappa Sigmas were present. Since that time, seven good men have been initiated as follows:

H. J. Lynne, Jr., Memphis, Tenn.; E. A. Peareson, Richmond, Texas; T. B. Harrison, Jr., Russellville, Kentucky; J. W. Crump, Macon, Georgia; W. G. Evans, Shelbyville, Tenn.; J. M. Maury, Memphis, Tenn.; Geo. B. Allen, Montgomery, Alabama. Brother Ed. Ellit of Phi chapter, entered the University this term. We have lost two of our best men lately.—Brother W. B. Thompson, Jr., New Orleans, La., has entered John Hopkin's University to take a post graduate course, and will more than likely make his mark there. Brother Jno. R. Jefferson, Sequin, Texas, on account of deaths in his family was obliged to return home. Omega feels the loss of these brothers deeply, and wishes them success wherever their steps may lead.

We are in a flourishing condition with ten active members, who are heart and soul Kappa Sigmas, and are doing all they can for the advancement and good of our noble order.

Next year we hope to have a new chapter house. We have some money on hand now and think very soon to have enough to build us a very nice little structure.

In the commencement exercises our members figured well, and also took a very prominent part in the athletic contest. Brother W. B. Thompson, Jr., delivered the English oration on commencement day. Bro. McGowan delivered the annual address to the Alumni.

Of the seven Kappa Sigmas, belonging to the cadet corps, five are officers, the other two being new students.

Omega sends love and greeting to all the brothers "within the twelfth gate."

Yours fraternally,

TOM. HARRISON, JR.,

Correspondent.

UPSILON CHAPTER.

HAMPDEN SIDNEY COLLEGE, VA., *Sept.* 19, '86.

Out of eleven brothers who attended college last year only four have returned. Two of our honored brothers are now studying Presbyterian theology at U. T. Seminary, a few hundred yards distant, and we have received under the shadow of our wings a brother from a wide-awake chapter some distance away. He is a welcome addition. He reflects credit on his mother chapter, and will, we feel confident, be an honor to Upsilon and to the whole fraternity. His name and chapter are not mentioned for private but perfectly legitimate reasons. So we now number eight. The eighth is our newly initiated brother, Jas. S. Rhea, of Marion, Va., whom we hereby present to all true and lawful Kappa Sigmas. All of you will please extend a welcome and fraternal grip to him.

Only sixty of the old students have as yet returned to college, and from forty new boys there is only a very small percentage which will furnish fit fraternity material. We will, we promise you, have our share of this very limited number. The number of initiations made by our

rivals is as follows: Sigma Chi, one; Chi Phi, one; Phi Kappa Psi, one; Pi Kappa Alpha, one; Beta Theta Pi, none, and Phi Gamma Delta, none.

Upsilon will be very much indebted to her alumni if they will send her their photographs, and she will assure them that these "remaining memorials" will be carefully preserved. We will, also, gladly exchange *groups, &c.*, with any of our sister chapters that feel inclined to barter good looks

Bro. J. M. Hart, Jr., of this chapter, is at Jonesville, Lee county, Va. Any Kappa Sigma meeting him will be cordially received by one who has always been faithful and zealous in the discharge of his duties.

Bro. Wm. M. Eldridge is at Sequin, Tex. I am satisfied he will meet with all the success, which he so richly and honestly deserves.

Fraternally,

S. F. HURT, JR.

[After the above letter was written, Bro. Hurt wrote the "Quarterly" that Upsilon had initiated Jas. Milton Allison, of Wytheville, Va., and added: "I was told confidentially last night that another fraternity was trying to come in. If it does or does not you may expect some dead chapters next year, but not ours."—ED.]

IT EXPLAINS ITSELF.

COLUMBUS, MISS., Sept. 15th, 1888.

F. H. Terry, Editor K. S. Quarterly—

DEAR SIR AND BRO:—I write to perform a duty which has already been too long postponed. I see from what has happened that I can be of very little assistance to you as associate editor of the "Quarterly" at this distance, and being busy preparing myself for the practice of the law, I, therefore, take this opportunity to tender my resignation as assistant editor. I do this with regret, but knowing that it is for the best. If I can be of any as-

sistance to you either personally or in your official capacity I will serve you gladly.

Yours fraternally,

R. T. BROWNRIGG.

CHI CHAPTER.

PURDUE UNIVERSITY,

LA FAYETTE, INDIANA, Sept. 25th, 1886.

Editor Kappa Sigma Quarterly—

DEAR BROTHER:—It once more becomes my duty to write a letter to our beloved "Quarterly," but as a duty it is one of my pleasant ones.

My being sick, not long since, has caused me to be a little later in writing than my predecessor.

All our men, who we expected to return, are with us, and we are a happy chapter once more, with a bright prospect in our future beaming forth like an electric head-light.

We have handed our petition to the President (for him to put it before the faculty), asking the privilege of establishing a chapter of the fraternity here, but the faculty have not had a meeting yet, so I am unable to report in this letter anything concerning their action in the matter, but can say this much, we feel confident that their action will be favorable.

We have with us Bro. Carter, of Lambda, who is a good fellow, (this latter part is unnecessary as he is a Kappa Sigma) and we are glad he is with us, but on the other hand, are sorry his stay is to be a short one, only a few months. He is taking a special course in mechanics, preparatory to accepting the professorship of it at the University of Tennessee.

Bro. Lilly, one of Xs' sons, is superintending the construction of a bridge a few miles distant, but am glad to say he expects to be with us at college soon.

Bro. Mutz stopped here on his way to Iowa, about a

week ago, where he is going into the dry goods business. We heartily enjoyed his stay though brief as it was.

We extend our best wishes to our sister chapters, and a hearty grasp of the hand to all "within the twelfth gate." I am, as ever, yours fraternally in Kappa Sigma bonds,
WM. T. THAYER, JR.

A LETTER FROM BRO. SUTTON, W. G. S.

ATLANTA, GA., Sept. 20, '86.

*To my Brethren of the Order, Especially the Grand Scribes
of the Chapters :*

During the past few months I have been grievously afflicted with my eyes. This has discommoded me and interfered considerably with my duties as W. G. S. I have been compelled often to answer letters briefly, and in some cases to leave them unanswered altogether. When I mentioned resigning it was kindly urged that I should not. I do not shrink from my duty, great though it is, I only fear that I cannot attend to it promptly and thoroughly. As I have been urged I will endeavor so to do, but unless the Grand Scribes of the chapters lend me their cordial assistance I will fail in the work, and be compelled to resign. As soon as each chapter organizes, let the Grand Scribe send me a complete list of old members present, and list of officers. Do not report initiates, as I have blanks printed which I will send you for that purpose. I desire *very much* that this be remembered, and when you have an initiate to send in, if you have not one of these blanks, write for one, and when it is received, be particular and fill out according to instructions.

I would be glad if I could hear from each chapter at least once a month. In the past I have not succeeded in hearing so often, and now that I cannot promise to write so often, I am afraid I will hear less frequently. I shall be compelled to drop all correspondence except such as is strictly on business, or on living issues before the order.

I rely largely upon the indulgence and assistance of my brothers in correspondence, otherwise I will not be able to keep up my work.

Your Brother in Kappa Sigma,

ED. L. SUTTON.

KAPPA CHAPTER.

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY,

NASHVILLE, TENN., Sept. 16th, '86.

EDITOR QUARTERLY:—

Kappa chapter is still "well and doing well," and has fine prospects for a large chapter roll this year. Our opening meeting last night was attended by ten men, loyal and true! Seven of them from the University and three from town.

With much surprise and joy did we welcome in our midst Bro. Miller of O., and Bro. Burke of D., the former entering the law and the latter the literary department.

Our prospects for the year are very flattering indeed. Last year we began with two men and by hard work ended the year with eight men in the University. This year we begin with seven and hope to quit with twenty. All of the men are quite enthusiastic and earnest, and ere long Kappa chapter *shall* become the banner chapter of our glorious organization.

Vanderbilt opened with fine prospects, and it is the opinion of many that there will be one hundred and fifty more students than last year. We say of our "Alma Mater," success! she deserves it.

Although not a student I take a deep interest both in Kappa Sigma and in Vanderbilt, and will always use my best endeavors for the advancement of both.

Nothing of importance has happened since our last letter as the students have been enjoying vacation and nothing could be done.—But we come from our rest more determined and earnest! Already we have three men in

view, two of whom come "well recommended" by brothers elsewhere, and we are only waiting a few days to get our hall in readiness before we "put in our work."

Farewell, and wishing success to the "Quarterly," I am

Yours in Kappa Sigma,

J. A. CRAGWALL,
Correspondent.

P. S.—Enclosed please find postal note for ten dollars and fifty cents (\$10.50) for subscriptions to the "Quarterly" of the following persons:

O. H. Wilson, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee; G. D. Hicks, 689 McGavock St., Nashville, Tennessee; J. R. Wilson, 306 Demonbreun St., Nashville, Tennessee; Miss Annie Armistead, West End Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee; E. E. Hardin, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee; J. A. Cragwall, Watertown, Wilson, Co., Tennessee; C. B. Burke, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee.

Lynchburg, Virginia, Personals.

LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA, Sept. 20th, '86.

Editor Kappa Sigma Quarterly:—

Thinking that some of our far away brothers, who feel an interest in those in the "Hill City," would like to hear what we are doing, etc., I will endeavor to give them a few personals if nothing more, telling them where some of the "boys" can be found, for I know a hearty grip and an Old Virginia welcome will greet them, should they ever visit this city.

Below I give the names and places of business of the Kappa Sigmas now residing in Lynchburg, viz:

Howard D. Johnson, with N. & W. R. R., a good Kappa Sigma, and will always be glad to see the "boys." Minor Lyle, attorney at law. Bro. Lyle is one of our leading

young lawyers, being associated with the leading law firm in Lynchburg. Wm. V. Wilson, Jr., attorney at law. Much buried in his books, but has a smile for a Kappa Sigma at all times. H. B. Watts, with O. B. Barker, hardware. Chas. B. Anderson, book-keeper for J. H. Franklin & Sons. Bro. Anderson is a true Kappa Sigma and one that we are justly proud of. Rev. Mr. Garland, Presiding Elder, M. E. Church South. J. Clinton Kinnier, in the city post office. Clint is a good fellow, and "to know him is to love him."

The above are all who are actually residing here now, several having left for the West and South some months ago.

Bro. Will Page, with the U. S. Fish Commission, is spending his few months of vacation here, at his father's.

We had the pleasure of a visit last week from Bro. J. L. Ludwig, formerly of Richmond, but then on his way to Bristol, Tennessee, where he will make his future home, and will be engaged in the iron business. Come again, Bro. Ludwig. We like to see and meet such enthusiastic Kappa Sigmas.

The above is all that I can give you relative to the Kappa Sigma boys now in Lynchburg. This will be a dull letter to some, but I trust not to all. I hope to write a more interesting one for January issue.

Bro. Terry, I think we could make the "Quarterly" still more interesting if we could have letters from the alumni members also, as we are always glad to hear what our brothers are doing even if they have left college. Now, I hope, by next issue, that some will come forward with their communications.

Wishing the "Quarterly" and fraternity at large the success that they richly deserve, I remain,

Yours in bonds of Kappa Sigma,

J. C. FIELDS,

WITH J. T. WILLIAMS, SON & CO.

A Watchmaker's Epitaph.

As one of the "Curiosities of Literature" connected with watches, we may cite the following, which can be seen in the churchyard at Lydford, Devonshire, England.

"Here lies in a horizontal position
The outside case of
George Rutledge, Watchmaker.
Integrity was the main spring and prudence
the regulator of all the actions of his life;
Humane, generous, and liberal,
His hand never stopped till he had relieved
distress;
So nicely regulated were his movements that
he never went wrong,
Except when set a-going by people who did not
know his key;
Even then he was easily set right again.
He had the art of disposing of his time so
well
That his hours glided away in one continued
round of pleasure,
Till in an unlucky moment his pulse
stopped beating.
He ran down Nov. 14, 1801, aged 57,
In hopes of being taken in hand by his
Maker,
Thoroughly cleaned, repaired, wound up, and
set a-going
In the world to come, when time shall be
no more."

Greek "Notes."

The S. A. E. fraternity opened out at Emory & Henry College, Va., this year with four men.

The Alpha Kappa chapter of the Sigma Chi fraternity, at Hillsdale, Mich., has been revoked by the authorities of that order.

A biennial session of the Grand Chapter, of the Sigma Chi fraternity, was held in Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 7th, 8th and 9th.

The Forty-seventh Annual Convention, of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity was held in Cincinnati, Ohio, Aug. 25th, 26th and 27th, under the auspices of the Alumni chapter of that city.

During the third week in August last the Annual Convention of the Kappa Kappa Gamma fraternity meet at Akron, Ohio. Lambda chapter of this order is located at Akron.

From our Omicron correspondent, "Cadmus," we learn that the chapter of the Rainbow fraternity at that college, Emory & Henry, is defunct, having been withdrawn by the authorities of that order.

Unless a greater inducement is brought to bear, some of the Virginia fraternities will go into the hands of a receiver. They are permitting too many of their men to be "lifted" into other fraternities.

In the last issue of the Delta Upsilon *Quarterly* was a communication, the writer of which is a member of that fraternity, upon this subject: "The Real Meaning of

Non-Secrecy," in which he claimed in most emphatic terms that any "secret mottoes, grips, pass-words and rites are unknown in our fraternity."

One of our Greek letter exchanges says that during the past year Beta Theta Pi has died at Harvard, Chi Phi at Michigan, Sigma Phi at Union, and Theta Delta Chi at Lafayette, and that Phi Delta Theta has been established at Williams, Phi Gamma Delta at Michigan, Theta Delta Chi at Amherst, and Zeta Psi re-established at Brown.

It is the intention of the chapter in the future to attempt to secure men who are "solid," morally, socially, and intellectually. Too often chapters have surrendered their charters because they have men in them with large purses, and deficient in other respects.

The above is from a chapter letter in one of our exchanges. It is timely—well said!

The last issue of the *Golden Key*, the journal of the Kappa Kappa Gamma fraternity (this is a lady's fraternity), alluded in high terms of the encouragement it had received by the promptness of all the chapters and co-workers in the performance of their respective duties—contributions, chapter letters, etc., and added: "'With bread and steel we can get through to China;'" and in this case bread is principle, steel is discipline and China is the ideal fraternity."

Purdue University (Ind.) correspondent of *The Sigma Chi*—July issue—says: "Augustus Ruffner, formerly of the West Virginia Military Institute, and W. T. Thayer, late of Hampden Sidney, are responsible for Chi chapter of Kappa Sigma, which has started upon a lonesome career as the only Indiana chapter. The number of initiates is unknown, but it includes some very promising fellows. They have secured rooms in the city, and will

begin '86-'87 under very favorable auspices. We welcome them in all kindness, and would announce to the Greek world, Phi Kappa Psi excluded, that there is still room for more."

The July number of *The Sigma Chi* has an aditorial notice of the very recent establishment of three chapters of that order, namely: Alpha Pi at Albion College, Mich. This institution of learning is under the control of the Methodist Church and is its only college in that State, consequently it will receive a "well filled hand" from its supporters. Alpha Omicron, nine members, at Tulane University, La., is the second one. Tulane is well endowed. It was chartered in '84 and opened in Oct., of that year with an attendance of five hundred. Alpha Beta, at the University of California, is the third. This university is also well endowed, the annual income from which is one hundred thousand dollars. The attendance is over five hundred.

A Sigma Chi writing from Randolph & Macon College, Va., to his fraternity journal, says "the frats, as well as the barbs, were somewhat taken by surprise a few days ago, when the chapter of the Kappa Sigma Kappa here came out under Phi Delta Theta colors. Phi Delta Theta has, and has had, one man here for several years, who, I suppose, became lonesome, for he seems determined to have a chapter at any risk. We scarcely knew the Kappas so completely did they change their plumage, and in so short a time. Phi Delta Theta gains three desirable men out of the seven or eight which composed the chapter here."

A Phi Delta Theta writing to his fraternity journal, *The Scroll*, of the "lift" says: "It gives me pleasure to announce that our chapters at Richmond and Randolph & Macon Colleges have been placed upon a substantial basis by the absorption of the excellent chapters of Kappa Sigma Kappa located at these colleges.

Our number had been reduced to two men at the former

and one at the latter institution, and heroic measures were necessary and have resulted in great good for our fraternity.

Both chapters come into our fold with enthusiasm and their membership will be a decided acquisition to our order. While they were fond of, and loyal to their own fraternity, they recognized the superior advantages of ours and made the change in the most honorable manner.

The generous and manly course pursued by the President of Kappa Sigma Kappa—Mr. Gravitt of Richmond who, while he still holds his position in his fraternity, advised the course followed by the two chapters, will commend him to the best element of college men everywhere."

My Lost Love.

There was a star, old legends say, that shone
From out of Eastern skies on one dark night,
Which for three days, with strange and brilliant light,
Illumined all the world, and then was gone.*

Such is my dear lost love to me. Oh, none
Can know but I with how much beauty bright
She first beamed on me, setting true and right
My soul, discordant with the world's sad tone.

She stayed scarce long enough to let me know
Whether she was of heaven or earth the bloom;
But 'mid her sweet resplendence vanished so
That I now, like a blind man in a tomb
Void and of awful space, a-wandering go,
Pursuing shapes of her in taunting gloom.

*There was a star discovered by Tycho Brahe, who lived from 1546 to 1601, which appeared suddenly in the heavens, attained a brilliancy surpassing that of *Jupiter*, then as suddenly disappeared and has never been seen since.

Personals.

For other personals see chapter letters.

Bro. John N. Humes, Omicron chapter, is in the jewelry business at Abingdon, Va.

Bro. W. L. McCaa, Upsilon chapter, is in the cotton business in Mobile, Ala.

Dr. Thomas J. Hoskins, of Zeta chapter, is practicing his profession with great success at Edenton, N. C.

Bro. Thomas R. Pepper, of H. chapter, is in the mercantile business at Winston, N. C. Style of firm, Vaughn & Pepper.

In Omicron chapter letter in this issue will be found quite a number of Omicron personals. We refer the old members of that chapter to them.

Bro. J. C. Howeton (Omega) is on the staff of Gov. Ireland, of Texas. Letters, etc. addressed to Houston, Texas, will reach him.

Bro. W. L. Robertson (Omega) was married about one month ago. He lives in Salado, Texas. Bro. Robertson should have furnished us the particulars of his marriage for publication.

Bro. John R. Jefferson (Omega) was summoned home, (Sequin, Texas) from his studies at Sewanee, Tenn., on account of the death of his grandfather, uncle and brother who were killed in a recent cyclone in that State. We extend our sympathies.

Our old schoolmate and friend, John C. Ridley (Nu

chapter) was married the second week in August last to Miss Mary L. Kent, of Roanoke City, Va. The happy bridal party left immediately for their future home, Calvert, Texas. John, old boy, we tender you and yours our heartfelt congratulations, and wish you numberless days of true, unalloyed happiness.

Bro. Jos. Dunlop (Phi), that chapter's very efficient correspondent during last year, is at Eastman College, N. Y., this session. We will expect a letter from Bro. Dunlop for our January number, telling us what success he has met with during his so-journ at the North, what brothers he has seen and what they are doing.

We regret to announce that Bro. Ed. L. Sutton, W. G. S., is suffering great inconvenience with his eyes. In another part of the "Quarterly" will be found a letter from him, intended, mainly, for the Grand Scribes of the chapters. The importance of complying strictly with his wishes can be readily seen. No doubt a speedy relief will be Bro. Sutton's if the Grand Scribes act as commanded.

Bro. J. L. Ludwig (Nu) is engaged, at present, running a large iron foundry, manufacturing agricultural implements, etc., at Bristol, Tenn. He embarked in the business about the first of September. The firm is Ludwig & Smith. If Bro. Ludwig displays the same interest in his iron business as he does in his order, success will certainly be his.

With pleasure we acknowledge the receipt of an invitation, for which we tender our thanks, to be present at the marriage of Miss Mary, daughter of Mr. John C. Griffiss, to Mr. James Nisbet Hazlehurst—Omega chapter—Wednesday evening, Oct. 6th, at the First Presbyterian Church, Chattanooga, Tenn. We regret our inability to be present at the ceremony, but our heart, full of best wishes, will go out to Bro. Hazlehurst and his bride.

A private letter from Chi chapter informs us that Bro. Augustus Ruffner, W. G. P., was called, a few days ago, to his home in West Virginia to attend the wants of his dying mother, and that it is feared he will not return to his chapter. We offer our condolence to our bereaved brother.

Bro. King E. Harman, Xi, Dublin, Va., will fall victim to "Hymen's gentle powers" on the 7th of this month. He weds a Miss Jordan, one of the prettiest and most fascinating young ladies in Pulaski county, Va. Brother Harman, Byron says, marriage is "The bloom or blight of all men's happiness."—We know it will be the bloom of yours.

Early Tuesday night Judge Bolling was shocked by receiving a telegraphic message from Dr. White, of Abingdon, saying that his son, Rolfe, who has been in business as manager for S. N. Frank & Co., clothiers, in Abingdon for the past few years, had been shot in the face and to come immediately, but giving no particulars of the accident. Judge Bolling left on the 11:30 train of that night. From a letter written to Mrs. Bolling by the Judge, which was received yesterday a. m., we are able to give the following particulars of the shooting: Rolfe and his young friend, Graham White, were out bird hunting near Abingdon that afternoon, when his friend attempted to shoot a bird, which he failed to do, the load, or a part of it, taking effect in Rolfe's face. Judge Bolling's letter says: "Rolfe was looking directly at Graham White when he shot him. The only wound of any consequence is that in his left eye. The Drs. say that the eye is not hurt. Of this I am not assured. I hope they are right. There is a shot on the left of his nose, one in his mouth, one through the ear, one over his right eye and one just at the corner of the right eye. The shot near the nose is imbedded in the cheek—the others glanced off. The one in his mouth is sticking in his jaw. He seems quite com-

fortable. Complains only of his eye." Rolfe is a great favorite at his old home, from which the deepest sympathies and regrets are extended him, and wishes that he will soon be well again.

The above is taken from the Wytheville, Va., *Dispatch* of Oct. 7th. Bro. Bolling, Sigma chapter, we are glad to chronicle, is improving fast and will be able to be at "his post of duty" soon.

The Wild Rose to the South Wind.

Clasp me, O south wind, about with thine arms;
Love me with kisses that hide in thy lips;
Safe on thy throbbing heart, soothed by thy balms,
Love's longing tenderness over me slips.

Swing me and sway me and tenderly sing;
Fan my faint lips with thy life giving breath;
Kept from the nectar thy kisses will bring
I must surrender my beauty to death.

Lingering, loitering, why do you wait?
I am as fair and as fond as of yore.
Hasten, I pray, for the day groweth late;
Twilight's soft shadows creep round me once more.
—George Day, in the *Brooklyn Magazine*.

Editorials.

TO THE ORDER AND ITS FRIENDS.

With this number of the "Quarterly" I assume, control of its management in all of its many branches. No one can appreciate the great responsibility of such a work—both glorious and great—more than myself. I trust that I may meet, partially, anyway, the demands and expectations of the patrons of this journal. Rest assured that that end will be reached if faithfulness to my trust and charge are the only prerequisites. With Kappa Sigma love, I am,

Most truly,

F. H. TERRY,
ED. QUARTERLY.

**OUR FIRST ANIVERSARY.
WAS OUR MISSION A FRUITLESS ONE?**

This month, one year ago, the "Kappa Sigma Quarterly" was launched upon the journalistic sea—to sail or sink. It started its voyage under adverse circumstances, namely: First of all, from every household of this land came forth the cry of financial depression, which, of course, impeded the progress of any new enterprise, regardless of its character. This one received its full quota of the embarrassment, and does yet, for that expression of distress has not been silenced. Besides this great hindrance, we were confronted only by a partial "hand of assistance" from the authorities of our noble order. To have expected or demanded more from the 'Supreme Executive Committee, would have been unjust, showing plainly that we were unmindful of the scope and importance of the work which they had to carry through. So it can be readily seen that we began life at an unpropitious time, but with an unfaltering determination, supported and urged on by the prayers and good wishes of a host of

workers in the good cause, we have landed our journal on a foundation of rock and not of sand. We know that the fraternity expected the "Quarterly" to be a "heavy load" the first twelve months of its existence. That has not been realized. It has been a source of revenue, or in more exact terms: "We have made money." Our subscription books will show that the number of subscriptions has increased—we mean, of course, since the first issue—over one hundred per cent. Our advertising patronage has likewise advanced. Now, as to whether we have accomplished in part the object of our mission—to promote and enhance the interest of the order—we know not, but the order does. We trust, though, that our labors have been as fostering to the order as they have been a pleasure to us. If they have, we know our works have not been in vain.

EPSILON CHAPTER.

Bro. C. H. Hardenbergh (Epsilon) writes us from San Antonio, Texas, under date of July 25th, to the effect that the trustees of Centenary College, Jackson, La., at their meeting in June last, abolished the anti-fraternity law, which had been enforced at that institution for some time. In the face of the anti-fraternity law restrictions, and considering that she was on her infant legs, Epsilon chapter, not in our opinion alone, but that of a member of the Supreme Executive Committee, was one of the best and most creditable chapters in force during last year—scholastic year of '85-'86, we mean. Since the main "stumbling block" has been removed, we hope this young chapter's strides for future success and glory will be characterized by unflinching vigor; and we trust that the other chapters—many of which, we must say, are no less worthy—will be urged on to greater achievements by the push and vim shown by this one. We will add that Epsilon's prosperity is due principally to the efforts of Bros. Hardenbergh and Ellis, who were enrolled as her first members.

We would like to call the attention of the chapter correspondents to one point, which is a very essential one towards making their letters interesting, not only to members of the Kappa Sigma fraternity, but those of all the other orders, and that is, they ignore too much the data in regard to their rivals—the other fraternities. If you will take special care each time to give their general standing—we mean, total membership, new initiates, honors won in literary societies, conduct in college, etc., you will find that your communications will be far more readable. They will be sought after by other “bug men” for two reasons, anyway, namely: As fraternity news, and to see your estimate of “their men.” Then all the orders can use them for comparison. At first sight this last idea is objectionable, for they might be odious, but then on the whole all would fare alike. We know it is a pleasure for us to pick up our exchanges and see our labors noted in the channels referred to, so our point must be worthy of some consideration. If all the fraternities would urge this matter, we think the result would be ample compensation for the labor.

A REQUEST OF THE CHAPTERS.

Taking our college life as a criterion, we doubt if there is ever a single year chronicled on the annals of the chapters of the order without some note being made thereon to the effect that “a chapter group had been taken,” and that the “treasurer be authorized to make the necessary assessment to pay for same,” etc. At present the four walls of our sanctum look as though they had been passed, untouched by the embellishing hand of nature or art, so we want *all* the chapters to send us, at the earliest moment possible, a copy, well framed, of any of the groups they have had taken or may have taken, with which to hide this “ghostly spectre.” Patiently will we wait

to see which chapter will "answer the summons" first. Remember, the first received, will be given the choice of position.

DON'T LET THIS OCCUR AGAIN.

Our experience in getting out this issue of the "Quarterly" recalls vividly to our minds the dilatoriness of some, we might say *most*, in justice, of the chapter correspondents in sending in their letters. We would like for some of the correspondents to tell us why this delay should exist? We are more than willing to admit our inability to see the "cause"—but the "effect" we not only *see* but *FEEL* keenly! If you all, correspondents, had any idea of the great inconvenience and trouble to which we are necessarily subjected to by this "put off," in the performance of your part of the work, we know it would never occur again. In the back of the "Quarterly" will be found the following request, which *must be granted*: "All articles should be sent in *fifteen days* before date of issue." Why can't these letters be in our office "fifteen days before date of issue" as well as *fourteen* "days before date of issue?" The correspondents must remember that we cannot do our part unless they do theirs. When they are tardy, that makes us so! When they are "on time," we will be! You well know that when we are ten days late, our readers will not debate for a moment as to the cause, but will naturally suppose that it is due to a lazy editor—and not the energetic correspondents! We hope the chapters will get behind their correspondents "with sharp sticks." Don't let this occur again, please.

Not a single chapter letter "reported on time" this issue. Those of Omicron and Omega were received first, on the 16th—one day *late*. Next time let it be the reverse—one day ahead of time!

A REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION, &C.

We have been approached, and our opinion solicited

during the past month, by several very enthusiastic Kappa Sigmas as to the expediency of revising the constitution and initiation of the fraternity. The plan of the brothers, with whom we have talked, is to leave the revision to a perfectly competent committee and require them to report to the next Conclave, which meets in Chattanooga, Tenn., some time in May or June, '87. By this plan—so they claim—time will be saved. Under our observation few things have passed which would not have admitted of revision. We include our constitution and initiation, but whether this is the time, and the proper persons for the work can be found, is a *very* debatable question—one that we allow that we cannot decide. We dismiss it—leave it for older and more experienced heads to solve. We would like the opinions of some Kappa Sigmas on the expediency of the proposed revision.

THANKS.

We clip the following exchange notice, of our April number, from the Kappa Kappa Gamma *Golden Key*. We hope we merit the kindly expressions: "We decidedly like the manly tone of the April number of the "Kappa Sigma Quarterly." The magazine is not yet out of the forest of difficulties, but it is going to get out, and it is already a credit to its fraternity and an acquisition to Greek journalism."

**"THE FIRE UPON SUMTER
NEARLY PUT AN END TO BETA THETA PI."**

On another page is an article on "Secret Societies" from the Cincinnati *Graphic News*. The following is a clipping from that portion of the article which relates the "ups and downs" of the subject of the article.

* * * * *

"At the outbreak of the Rebellion, it (Beta Theta Pi fraternity) was in a prosperous condition, and the shot

that was fired upon Sumter nearly put an end to Beta Theta Pi. Eight chapters in the most prosperous colleges in the South enlisted in the Confederate army, while at the North the Federal army absorbed the majority of the members, and left but five chapters alive in 1863. The members met on hostile battlefields, and there are many instances known where courtesies and kindnesses were extended between those who were nominal enemies, but who both acknowledged allegiance to the Beta Theta Pi. There were about the same number of Betas in both armies, with a slight preponderance of officers upon the Confederate side. One Beta has the proud distinction of having been a professor in the Naval Academy established by the Southern Government."

May.

[The following quatrain has been received from a gentleman in this city, who informs us that it was sent to him about a year ago by the late Paul Hamilton Hayne, and that it has never yet been published.]

All maiden lives that waned in their young prime,
Since the first throbbing of the heart of Time,
Re-live, I dream, in May's mysterious grace,
Sing through her birds and blossom in her face.

—*Paul Hamilton Hayne, in San Francisco Argonaut.*

"DELTA ANNUAL."

We are indebted to Delta's—at Maryland Military and Naval Academy—correspondent for a copy of the above little pamphlet, which contains much interesting data in regard to the brief, but eventful, history of that chapter of our order.

As an introduction, this is on the second leaflet:

"To our Brethren and the Greek World—Greeting :

Urged by the good results which have emanated from the Annual issued by Chapter Rho, Delta chapter issues this Annual in the first year of her existence that it may serve to introduce us to our Sister Chapters and the Greek World."

In the fall of '85 an application, signed by nineteen cadets, was sent in to the Supreme Executive Committee for a charter, which was granted and the chapter was formally established, October 1st, of that year, by Fred. C. Von Rosenberg, of Tau chapter. The list of initiates appended shows the work of the chapter during the first and only year of its existence:

1. Frederic Carlos Von Rosenberg, Past G. M. of Tau, founder of Delta, Austin, Texas. Born November 3, 1866. Present address, Oxford, Maryland.

2. Francis William Hazlehurst, Macon, Ga. Born November 19, 1867; initiated October 19, 1885.

3. Charles Bell Burke, Dyersburg, Tenn. Born July 27, 1867; initiated October 20, 1885.

4. William Joseph Miller, Dyersburg, Tenn. Born March 23, 1865; initiated October 20, 1885.

5. James Harry Covington, Easton, Md. Born May 3, 1868; initiated October 20, 1885.

6. John Wedderburn, Washington, D. C. Born August 29, 1868; initiated October 22, 1885. **EXPULSED.**

7. William Headley Osborne, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Born February 14, 1870; initiated October 31, 1885.

8. Fletcher Bright Peters, Newton, Kansas. Born April 18, 1868; initiated October 31, 1885.

9. Arlington Ulysses Betts, Bettsville, O. Born December 1, 1867; initiated October 31, 1885.

10. Charles E——— Wootten, Laurel, Dela. Born March 13, 1867; initiated November 21, 1885.

11. James Francis McIndoe, Lonaconing, Md. Born January 18, 1868; initiated November 21, 1885.

12. Benjamin Rush Logie, Kearneysville, W. Va. Born October 8, 1867; initiated November 21, 1885.

13. William Robert Bell, Lonaconing, Md. Born February 19, 1867; initiated November 21, 1885.

14. George Lander Abell, Portland, Oregon. Born April 18, 1866; initiated November 21, 1885.

15. John Harry Albright, Hope, Ind. Born September 1, 1865; initiated November 21, 1885.

16. Lawrence Low, Honesdale, Pa. Born August 14, 1864; initiated November 21, 1885.

17. John Henry Wagner, Water Valley, Miss. Born October 17, 1868; initiated November 29, 1885.

18. Douglass Preston Rock, Woodville, Texas. Born November 9, 1866; initiated November 29, 1885.

19. William Martin Cooper, B. C. Springs, Md. Born April 16, 1863; initiated November 29, 1885.

20. William Seward Albert, Chattanooga, Tenn. Born February 20, 1867; initiated December 12, 1885.

21. Charles Boyd Hayes, Erie, Pa. Born May 19, 1869; initiated February 13, 1886.

22. Lathrop Montgomery Taylor, Canton, Ill. Born August 11, 1867; initiated February 13, 1886.

23. Hunter Davidson, Jr., Cambridge, Md. Born January 1, 1862; initiated in Sigma.

The officers for the year were :

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G. L. Abell, Correspondent of "Quarterly."

In the corps of cadets Kappa Sigma was represented by the following men :

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W. H. Osborne, First Lieutenant and Quartermaster.

C. B. Burke, First Lieutenant Co. A.

W. M. Cooper, Second Lieutenant Co. B.

C. E. Wootten, Second Lieutenant Co. C.

F. W. Hazlehurst, Sergeant-Major.

A. U. Betts, First Sergeant Co. A.

B. R. Logie, First Sergeant Co. B.

J. H. Covington, First Sergeant Co. C.

G. L. Abell, Second Sergeant Co. A. and Color-Sergeant.

J. H. Allbright, Second Sergeant Co. C.

W. S. Albert, Fifth Sergeant Co. A.

F. B. Peters, Second Corporal Co. C.

L. Low, Third Corporal Co. C.

W. R. Bell, Private Secretary to Commandant.

W. J. Miller, before leaving the Academy last January, held the office of Second Lieutenant Co. B.

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History of Zeta Chapter.

BY S. A. JACKSON, ZETA.

The history of KOPATH-KIRJATH SEPHER ante-dates the time when Bro. Hollingsworth, Rogers, Dunlap and others visited Bologna and other places in their European travels.

Tradition takes us back, according to the statement of Brother Hollingsworth, to the end of the fourteenth century—to the time when a Greek scholar, Emanuel Chrysoloras by name, first visited Bologna and Florence. The object of the "Kopath" seems at that time to have been "*Mutual Protection*" (against the robbers of Cossa) as well as "*The study of Greek.*" Chrysoloras, who is credited with naming as well as organizing the society, and later, whilst a professor in the University of Florence, was invited to accept a position under the very man he had organized an opposition against, viz: Baltazare Cossa, who, a few years before becoming Pope, had carried on a systematic robbery of the students. It is thought Pope John XIII. could not so easily dispense with one so thoroughly conversant with the Greek language as Chrysoloras, and that this is the reason he employed him, rather than that he feared his opposition—if he even knew of that organized opposition.

Beyond Florence and Bologna it seems no branches had been established until 1409. In this year the cardinals, seeing that the schism between Benedict XIII. and Gregory XII. could only result in trouble to the Christian World, called a general council at Pisa. That of the prop-

er delegates upon this occasion, "to elect a Pope whom all christendom would gladly acknowledge," were the deputies from thirteen universities. The result of the deliberations of this council was the deposition of the schismatics, Luna and Corrario and the election of Alexander V. Indirectly it was the means of extending KIRJATH SEPHER into France. That Rocus Gregro, one of the deputies from Bologna, and DeBardi, from Florence, interested deputies from Montpelier, Paris and Orleans, to establish at their respective universities. Each branch was called a "Kopath." Why, we are not informed. Whether the deputies from the German and English universities were invited to enter "The Twelfth Gate" and declined, or that only those from France were approached on the subject we are not informed. Five was considered enough to form a KOPATH and the organization never became very large. The device of KIRJATH SEPHER was a CIRCLE, across and through which was a Karukion and the word: *Semper*. This was most generally represented by a plain gold ring, engraved with a caduceus and the word: *Semper*. Aleto Provencani and Ginliano Filelfo were the last members known to have been at the university of Bologna. The DeBardi, Tanus Lascaris and Lorenzo DeMedici are mentioned as prominent patrons of the order, and that the latter adopted the Kirjath Sepher device as his own, and in perpetuation of the same, had most of the books and manuscripts collected by him marked with this device and the word *Semper*. It is said that he was present when Angelo Ambrogini entered "The Twelfth Gate," and that, there being some knowledge of Greek required, he made such a good impression on Lorenzo DeMedici, that he contributed liberally to his education. This same Angelo afterwards became prominent in history as *Politianus*. It seems that this beautiful ceremony would have been lost had it not been for the DeBardi of Florence, and the De La Croix of France, who handed it down from father to son for nearly a century. It now rests upon the shoulders of Americans to perpetuate it, and how well or badly, the members can judge for themselves. Bro. Hollingsworth visited the

University of Virginia but I did not learn from the records from him or Bro. Arnold that he was ever a student there, for it seems B., at Tuscalusa, Alabama, was started by him. At the University of Virginia, 1869, Kirjath Sepher, became Kappa Sigma, and started Zeta chapter. Bros. Geo. Arnold, Robert Dunlap, E. L. Rogers, John Boyd and either George L. Thomas or Dr. Sam'l I. North (B.) were the first to start the society upon its new mission.

They soon associated with them Wm. Grigsby McCormack, a wealthy capitalist of Chicago, Ed. S. Toadwin and John E. Semmes, prominent Baltimore lawyers. The book containing the minutes was either lost or destroyed, so that the exact date of the initiates of the first two years can only be approximated, unless in case of an individual record. I did not become a member of Kappa Sigma until the session of 1872-3, and none of those who had introduced it into this country were then at the University; but Z. had two visits from Brother Arnold, one in chapter and the other informally, whilst I was a student there. The last time Brother Arnold paid us a visit his time was so limited that we could not summons a meeting of the chapter, there only being a few of the members present, and he could give us but about three hours of his time. As well as I remember, those brothers assembled in my room, and were: Charles Worthington Ligon, Frank N. Barksdale, Euclid Lane Johnson, Dr. Arthur C. Hef-fenger and myself; but as we went to the depot with our guest we met other members of the chapter. I had the SECRET WORK explained in my correspondence with Dr. Hollingsworth, and personally by Arnold, and received much valuable instruction from them that was not imparted to me when I entered "The Twelfth Gate." Then, nearly all the work had to be committed to memory; now, there are aids. Then, many of the members were disposed to make laws for themselves and get up no more of the SECRET WORK than they were obliged. Now, there is more systematic work required. Notwithstanding I am a member of Zeta chapter, I think the best thing ever done for the order and eventually for this chapter, was taking the

supreme power out of the hands of Zeta chapter and vesting it in our Grand Convention, and in the interim to the officers elected at each Convention. This puts all the chapters upon an equal footing and creates a proper but fraternal rivalry to be the banner chapter. Laying aside our European connection, Zeta has everything of which to be proud. In a little less than eighteen years she has initiated about 125 members, an average of $6\frac{11}{18}$ members a year, and it has been the policy of the fraternity to secure good men—coming from the best families, rather than a large and indiscriminate membership. There are now 18 active chapters, and 8 dead, and Kappa Sigma was never in so prosperous a condition as at the present time, and the more closely she adheres to the Constitution and Rite, the greater will be her success. The eighteen years that Kappa Sigma has been known to American colleges, will enable her to compare most favorably with those established about forty years ago, and none of the other Greek Letter fraternities established about seventeen or eighteen years ago can begin to compare with us in members, chapters or prominent men. There was a time when the survival of Zeta was considered a little doubtful. That time has passed, and whatever success is realized by the order, Zeta chapter must come in “for the lion’s share.” Zeta at present has some eight or ten active members, and with such zealous and able brothers as Virginius W. Harrison and Marcus A. Jacobs, whom I have had the pleasure of meeting, to say nothing of about ten or twelve who will certainly matriculate at the University of Virginia in 1887, from other chapters, our future there is very encouraging. When I pick up the last catalogue and look at the roll of Zeta my heart swells with pride, that I am a member of a chapter which has furnished so many professors, doctors, lawyers, &c., when it must be remembered, too, that there are about sixteen other Greek Letter orders at that institution. I could select a half dozen names from the chapter roll alone that I could write a book on if I did them justice, *but I neither have the time nor space, and will leave that*

to some one else. I notice in the sketch of myself, in the October Number, I am made the founder of Eta chapter, Trinity College, N. C. There is a most excellent gentleman in Wilmington, N. C., with M. D., D. D. S., &c., after his name, whom I would not rob of that honor. His name is James H. Durham. He, together with Thomas Taylor, Dr. Wm. P. Murcer and A. R. Worsham, established Eta, in February, of 1873. I heard it said not long since that the trustees of Trinity had about concluded to throw open their doors, again, to the Greeks, and when they do, I shall expect to hear of some of our N. C. brothers making a pilgrimage to Trinity.

College Fraternities—Should Young Men Join Them.

BY C. B. ANDERSON, NU.

There are many who object to, and oppose the existence of fraternities at colleges, but I am convinced that the objections are inspired by false and mistaken ideas of the institutions. Therefore it will be the purpose of this article to present a fair and candid view of the subject.

What is a fraternity? It is a society of college students which emphasizes the moral worth and beauty of moral friendship, and which recognizes and teaches the grandest and noblest duty of human life—brotherly kindness; a society which binds its members together with ties of common interests, and which enjoins the cultivation and practice of those virtues and traits of character in early life, which will be an honor to its members in after years, when the shadow of Almer Mater no longer falls upon them, and the halcyon days of youth have glided into manhood—the romantic into the real. It is a society whose cardinal principles scorn and condemn immoral

practices as degrading and dishonorable, in whatever form or shape presented to the youthful mind, and which praises and honors purity and virtue of character.

How near does the theoretical approach the practical? How far does the ideal become the real? Let us not forget, before answering these questions, that

“ The best laid schemes o’ mice an’ men
Gang aft a-gley—”

and that the human mind is a good store-house, stocked with theories, and the merchandise of thought it sends out into the world of practical life is heavily discounted. The grandest, the noblest designs never attain the ideal of the mind which planned and conceived. In the moral world, everything of man’s conception is imperfect in accomplishment. Ever reaching out his hand to the ideal—yet never grasping! Ever aspiring—yet never attaining! The very realization of his brightest hopes but introduces him to higher objects and nobler thoughts; and at a time when he thinks that the hopes of his mind in its moral operations have become the realities of his life, unforeseen agencies will appear and dispel the illusion.

“ The ample proposition that hope makes
In all designs begun on earth below,
Fails in the promised largeness; checks and disasters
Grow in the veins of actions highest reared.”

Keeping these observations in view, it must be admitted that college fraternities fail, in a measure, to accomplish their true aims and purposes. Yet, is this fact peculiar to them, and shall they be condemned for this reason? If so, all institutions with moral aims and purposes will be included in the condemnation, and society robbed of its most valuable and potent moral agencies. Destroy not the tree, because upon some of its branches there is unsound fruit.

Claiming neither more nor less for college fraternities than for other institutions of similar nature, it is submitted with great confidence that the moral influence which is brought to bear upon a member, has more to do with the proper moulding of his character than any other associa-

tions he can form at that period of his life. There he stands—look at him well! A fine, noble boy! He has just entered college, and to him life now presents a new picture; now opens a pathway of thought and of action never before traveled by him, and traveled only once in a life-time; but the steps taken point the way to the character of the future man. Does he realize the momentous change of circumstances which now surround him? Does he realize that the influences of home which made him a noble boy are now severed from his life, and that the moulding of his character for the future is to be the work of his own hands? How shall he prove equal to the occasion, and how shall he treasure in his heart the moral influences of home life which are now to be combatted by the immoral influences of college life? He will soon find that his moral courage will be put to a severe test. I answer, *the whole matter depends upon his associations*. If they are formed promiscuously, and without reference to their moral quality, there will be such a diversity of influences and circumstances, that will make it extremely difficult for him to pursue a course of conduct which he would prefer. *There must be an exclusiveness in companionship*, and this the fraternity gives. This is necessary in order to fix his *true position in society*. This *exclusiveness* in associations singles him out, and stamps a moral and social value upon him which he could never receive from the masses. He will here have impressed upon his mind the beauty and value of those friendships and associations which ennoble and elevate; which will be the brightest and happiest memories of his college life; which constitute the Nobility of Boyhood, and are ever a fitting prelude to the Nobility of Manhood.

***A Revision of the Constitution—Omicron Chapter—The
Tyranny of Anti-Fraternity Laws—Personals, &c.***

MARION, VA., Nov. 30th, 1886.

Dear Bro. Terry:

From a little piece of personal experience, while connected with a college journal, I learned that one great care upon an editor's hands lay in securing matter. But with you, this may not, or at least, should not be the case. Helping, as the QUARTERLY does, to elevate and strengthen our order, adding, as it does, a new charm to fraternity life, its welfare should be a prime object with every true-hearted Kappa Sigma. However, while I make no pretensions to excellence in composition, and realize most fully my incapacity to prepare an article worthy of a place in the columns of our journal, I have resolved to send you this plain letter, written without regard to any particular subject, and you can publish or destroy it, as you may think advisable.

Bro. J. L. Ludwig, formerly of Richmond, Va., has spent the greater part of the last three months in this place, and I find him full of love and interest for the fraternity. We have been together a good deal, and have had several lengthy conversations upon a subject which was mentioned in the last issue of the QUARTERLY, namely: a revision of our constitution. My views may be wrong, but as they harmonize with Bro. Ludwig's, which are quite likely to be correct, I can see no harm, at least, in stating them.

That the changes, if any are made, will have to be effected by the fraternity in convention assembled, is an axiomatic proposition. But to postpone the work altogether without taking any preliminary steps, would certainly be an egregious mistake. We must make such changes as will impart the greatest possible strength to

our government, and they will not spring forth "like Minerva from the head of Jove, fully grown," but can only result from due deliberation and thorough consideration.

Our fraternity is now exulting in the pride of well earned success. After a gloomy opening, and a desperate struggle with adverse circumstances, she has risen proudly above the influences which once depressed her and the obstacles which formerly beset her, planting her banner emblematic of honorable aggression, upon battlements which are likely never to be shaken. Could we revolutionize our constitution, eliminating any obnoxious or useless clauses, altering all weak or imperfect regulations, and introducing such new elements as seem needful, thus establishing a more perfect form of government and securing a more complete organization, our brotherhood would then be *fixed* upon a basis which would stand alike the test of coming years and the scrutiny of all the world.

I believe the demand for a change is a present demand. In a large measure, we owe to our worthy leader, S. A. Jackson, whose invaluable services have rendered his name dear to us all, the exceedingly flattering prospect which opens up before us, and all we do must be done with his approval and hearty co-operation.

If I may express myself a little further without seeming officious, I will suggest that there are two methods, either of which appear to me as being equally efficient. The work of preparation can be done either by a committee appointed by the S. E. C., or by *volunteers* from the fraternity, who would agree to make such a revision as they should deem expedient and report the same at our next convention. We can then take action as a body, accepting, amending, or rejecting the reports. If one or two good men will agree to help Bro. Ludwig, I feel safe in saying that he will gladly do all within his power to make the needed alterations in our system of government. Perhaps it may be considered inconsistent in me not to engage in the work, after having expressed myself so freely in regard to it. But I plead both a lack of time and a

want of experience in such matters. Bro. L. has formulated his ideas, and he, now, only needs one or two men of originality and sound judgment as his *counselors*.

These views are respectfully tendered to all Kappa Sigmas who have the good of the order at heart. If they serve to call the attention of others to the subject concerning which they are written, their end will have been attained.

Now, Mr. Editor, as this letter is a mixture of several things (and not much of anything), I will say a few words about another matter.

I have just returned from a very pleasant visit to Omicron chapter. It thrilled me with joy to grasp with the grip of fellowship, the hands of those loyal brothers. Their faces recalled the associations of former days—sweet memories of chapter life. May they never be forgotten!

The annual public debate of the Calliopean society was held in the chapel at Emory and Henry College, Friday night, Nov. 26th. The first speaker on the affirmative, Wm. M. Gillespie, is one of the best men within the pales of Kappa Sigma. While his splendid grades have secured him an enviable reputation as a student and rendered him especially prominent in college work, his natural argumentativeness and his unusually quick perception have made him no less worthy of the name of a debator. His effort was pronounced by all extraordinarily fine, and by some, the most successful of the occasion. The first speaker on the negative was a non-fraternity man—in *practice*, though not so in *theory*. Second and last on the affirmative was L. M. Shumate, a S. A. E. Honor to whom honor is due. Mr. Shumate's fraternity may congratulate itself upon his effort.

The discussion was closed by "Emory's brag speaker," Bro. Chas. Richmond. Nature has been kind to this brother. A fine personal appearance, still more attractive when before an audience, together with a musical, though strong, voice, and an unequalled declamation, enable him to charm and hold the attention of any crowd. Nor is he

less gifted in the art of forcing conviction upon his hearers. I heard a young lady say that if Mr. Richmond were to stand before an audience for as long a time as he was speaking that night his hearers could well entertain themselves by his good looks. Upon the whole two better men than Chas. Richmond and Wm. Gillespie cannot be found among the hills of Southwest Va. The college is proud of them; the Calliopean society considers it an honor to claim them; Omicron chapter rejoices to number them among those who have passed the Twelfth Gate and entered the folds of fellowship and brotherly love. It would afford me pleasure to mention all our Omicron men but time and space forbid. It is enough to say, *they are worthy.*

I was especially glad to notice the name of James Rhea in the October QUARTERLY. He is a good man. I know him. I always like to hear of Marion boys passing the Twelfth Gate.

But I am writing too much. With best wishes, I remain,
Yours fraternally,

JOE. L. KELLY.

A Cheerful "Thanatopsis,"

MARY CARLETON LEARNED IN ST. NICHOLAS.

Dear little snowdrops, deep under the snow,
You must be weary of winter, I know.
Sweet little snowdrops, far down in the ground,
You will be kissed and caressed when you are found.

The Badge—Constitution—Convention, &c.

HICKORY, N. C., Nov. 29th, 1886.

Dear Editor :

It has been my intention to contribute something to the *Quarterly* ever since its first issue, but have been so very busy, always putting it off for more leisure, until it almost slipped me entirely; and though dilatory myself, I have continually urged others to send something, no matter how small. I know it will be of great assistance to you, who have the whole responsibility of the work to bear, and I sincerely hope that every Kappa Sigma will remember this and do his duty by helping you out in your work of love. I can hardly express the delight I experienced on receiving the first copy. I read it with an eagerness and a sense of feeling that now we were really taking a step that would redound to more practical good to the order than most any move we could have made.

It has been my pleasure and privilege to meet a great many Kappa Sigmas while sojourning in the Southwest, and have found them all capital fellows.

Rushing hurriedly into a store a few days ago I espied a Kappa Sigma badge. Hello! Kappa Sigma? "Yes; same here." Give us the grip. One of those surprise meetings which are always so pleasant. Bro. Chas. Richardson, of O. He is now teaching school in Rich Valley, Va. We spent the day together very pleasantly, and it was through him I had the pleasure of meeting a most loyal Kappa Sigma of the opposite sex, the sister of our esteemed brother, S. A. Jackson. She always wears the star and crescent, far more faithfully than a great many of our brothers. I have noticed much negligence in this matter. What is the trouble? The badges are certainly not beyond the reach of any. They can be bought at very reasonable figures, and no one can ask a handsomer scarf-

pin than is now made by our jeweler. Brothers, wear your badges and show your colors. It is the only means we have to prompt each other to challenge. The next convention will convene very shortly in Chattanooga, Tenn., and I wish to make a few suggestions in regard to that. Let *each* and *every* member consider it his *individual duty* to attend, for business will be considered which is of vital importance to each and every member of our fraternity. I think it would be a good plan for the active chapters to elect their delegates and alternates, and send in a list to the *Quarterly* in time to be published in the April number, and elect only those who can be depended upon attending. The chapter should pay their delegates' expenses, or at least, one half of them, and by this method I think there would be no trouble in gaining a full attendance, and let every one be prepared for work; each delegate have his work prepared beforehand, which, if done, will facilitate matters considerably.

I notice that the last issue of the *Quarterly* makes mention of the advisability of revising our constitution. It is a matter that I have considered necessary for some time. It is lacking in a good many respects. I would like very much to hear from some of the other brothers on the subject. I see in your last issue a notice of myself as having engaged in the machinery and foundry business at Bristol, Tenn. Am very sorry to say that such is not the case. It was my intention to locate there in that line, but unfortunately the gentleman, with whom I was negotiating, was taken down suddenly with a stroke of paralysis, from which he never recovered, and our matter was not consummated. It not all being in writing, I could not come to terms with the administrators, consequently the sale was broken off. I am now located at Hickory, N. C., in the same line of business, where I will be pleased to welcome any of my friends.

Wishing the *Quarterly* that success which it so justly deserves, I remain,

Yours fraternally,

J. L. LUDWIG, (Nu.)

Letter containing many Interesting Reminiscences.

VALLEY VIEW, SMYTH CO., VA., Dec. 7, 1886.

In January, 1883, I was initiated into the Kappa Sigma fraternity, at the solemn hour of 1 a. m. The hour, however, was not chosen because of any solemnity it would be supposed to add, but to avoid any disturbance by "barbs," for the chapter was run *sub rosa*, and hence, was not allowed to have a hall. Under such circumstances, I found myself a member of Omicron chapter, which, notwithstanding the restraints imposed by the faculty, bears the proud distinction of being the oldest living chapter, except Zeta. Omicron was chartered in 1872, has been strong from the first, and she can now look with pride upon her Alumni roll. From the time I entered the chapter until I left college, the warmest fellowship existed between the brothers, with, perhaps, an occasional ripple of no consequence.

I was initiated by A. J. Honaker, W. S. Ayers, B. H. Sewell, W. H. Aston, H. P. Vories, J. V. Kelly and H. B. Fergusson. Will. Aston lives near Emory, and has, perhaps, done more work for Omicron than any of her sons.

Kappa Sigma Kappa organized at Emory about this time, which furnished the spice of competition, which was perhaps, the best thing that could have happened to Omicron. K. S. K., started well, with strong, good men, but the greater part of these left at the close of the session, and the chapter soon died. During the spring of 1883, we initiated R. M. Copenhaver. "Cope" roomed with me for two years, and I found that for integrity and hard sense, "Cope" has few equals—no superiors. Then came Dave Sewell, of Lee county. Dave is a good fellow; many are the good times we have had together. Dave served Omicron faithfully for four years, and then took the "Robert-

son Prize," the highest honor in college. He was the first Kappa Sigma to take it.

In May, 1883, we were visited by brothers Humes, Coward and McAdoo, of Lambda, when we had a regular love-feast. To crown the occasion we took P. I. Kane through in Bologna form. This was a rare experience for Omicron. Pat. came into the fraternity "right side up, with care," and has ever been that way. No better Kappa Sigma, or truer friend and brother ever existed than Pat. Kane. He was the "watch-dog" of the chapter, and woe unto that unlucky wight who chanced to come without good repute and recommendation. There was no stealing by Pat. Sometimes we thought him a little too cautious, but we were always forced to agree with him, sooner or later.

The next year (1883-4) we opened as follows :

D. C. Sewell, B. H. Sewell, P. I. Kane, W. S. Ayers, R. M. Copenhagen, and myself. Very little was done until the latter half of the year, and very little then until commencement. In the meantime, however, a book-agent organized Pi chapter of S. A. E.; they initiated ten men, but kept in the dark until commencement, and even then, some of them claimed to be Phi Delta Thetas, whether through ignorance or design, I am unable to say. This year the Rainbow fraternity put a chapter at Emory, also. They, however, did not bother us any, and I have often heard it said that the "Rainbow fraternity won't initiate a good man." Toward the latter part of the year we invested J. F. Carter with the grip, and all that that implies, and later, S. A. Carson, S. V. F. Richmond, who was one of the most popular boys in school, and J. I. Hurt, (W. G. T.) whom we had the misfortune to lose the next session. Although his stay was so short, still we were proud that it was as long as it was ; our loss was Upsilon's gain.

The year 1884-5 opened with J. F. Carter, C. Richardson, P. I. Kane, S. H. Carson, S. V. F. Richmond, D. C. Sewell, and W. P. Buchanan, (Nu).

Fun commenced at once. Our custom was to give the "fish" time to develop themselves, but S. A. E. com-

menced initiating "right and left;" and they, unlike the Rainbows, *would take* a good man, if they could get him. The sequel, however, proved that ours was the right course, and theirs the wrong one. Still we got excited and would have made some grave blunders, perhaps, but for the coolness and good sense of Pat. Kane; he saved us more than once. At the close of the year we were proud to compare our men with S. A. E.'s. The new Kappa Sigmas were S. Petrie, A. J. Miller, J. L. Kelly, O. C. Sprinkle, H. C. Richmond, E. M. Grant and C. W. Compton. All of these are of the truest metal, and aside from Kappa Sigma, I cherish for each the warmest possible feeling of friendship.

June, 1885, severed my active connection with Omicron. But the privilege of the closest friendships, the many social pleasures and restraints, which I found in the circle of Omicron's sons, will long be green in my memory.

Fraternally,

CHAS. RICHARDSON.

Another Letter Conveying Best Wishes, &c.

MIDDLEBROOK, AUGUSTA Co., VA., Nov. 18, 1886.

Dear Editor:

My well-wishes for Kappa Sigma were crowned with a happy realization of their fulfillment a few days ago when I received the first issue of the second year's *Quarterly*.

I perused its columns with a feeling of peculiar sacredness, noting with an emotion of delight every word that conveyed the impression of the advancement of our order. I have been in communication with Brother V. W. Harrison, correspondent of Zeta, and find him alive and active in the cause of his chapter. I believe we have the right man in the right place.

As stated in Zeta's letter the writer expected to

teach in Savannah, but, having been elected professor of the Latin and French languages at Middlebrook Academy, he was induced to accept. I trust to be able to meet with the brothers of Zeta before the session is ended, as I am only about forty miles from the University. Please find enclosed my subscription.

With best wishes for you, dear Editor, in your great work, and for the whole Kappa Sigma world, I sign myself,

Yours fraternally,

JOHN W. TINSLEY, (Z.)

Life.

Life! I know not what thou art,
But know that thou and I must part;
And when, or how, or why we met,
I own to me's a secret yet.

Life! we've been long together,
Through pleasant, and through cloudy weather;
'Tis hard to part when friends are dear—
Perhaps 'twill cost a sigh, a tear,
Then steal away, give little warning,
Choose thine own time;
Say not good-night, but in some brighter clime,
Bid me good morning.

Mrs. Barbauld.

"Would He Make a Good Fraternity Man?"

We suppose few "bug" men while active members are not called upon quite frequently to answer the above question. It has proven to be a great stumbling block to many of them, for we know from experience. It was our intention, before we commenced work on this No. of the *Quarterly*, and before we had read any of our late exchanges, to give our humble opinion as to what course of thought and investigation those, to whom the above question should be propounded, should go through to enable them to give a correct reply, one that would terminate for the good of his order. But in reviewing our exchanges we find an article, taken from the D. K. E. *Quarterly*, which, in part, expresses our views. With little or no revision we quote it. The *Quarterly* says "when a candidate is under discussion the real question is: Will he be a congenial and desirable brother in case he shall be admitted? The chapter is situated at a college, its members are there to pursue a course of study. One of a selfish and calculating, a low and brutal disposition, will not be congenial. A careless scholar or a man of confirmed bad habits is not desirable. The chapter is neither a reform school nor a "refuge." Candidates for its membership should be selected solely in view of the chapter's interests. To make concessions to considerations not included in these is to squander the repute of the chapter which others have left in its trust, is to commit a breach of faith as much worse than would be the presentation to outsiders of the furniture of the chapter, as honor is more precious than property. And all questions of habits, temper, breeding, acquirements, are well summed up in the one—Is he eligible as a brother? All suggestions of caution, of thoroughness of acquaintance, of care in selection, are comprehended in this one—that the members should know

each candidate so well, and be so well satisfied with him, as to desire to be associated with him as a brother."

The *Quarterly* then adds:

"How shall the new member be treated? To what extent shall each aid, be interested in, and responsible (so far as the utmost extent of his influence) for the others? How far should each be borne with by his fellows? To these and the numerous other like questions that may be asked, is not this the answer, "As a brother?" This relation should not be carelessly assumed; once entered into it should be scrupulously observed. When and how should a member be reminded of his faults and urged to correct them? He is a brother. To what extent should each devote himself to the welfare and progress of the others? They are his brothers. How far should he sacrifice his own tastes or convenience to the comfort of others? They are his brothers. How far and how long should an erring one be borne with? As a brother. Are there not limits? So there are to the extent to which fraternal relations may be strained. And occasions will arise when the connection must be broken. Aye, and a natural brother may forfeit his natural privileges. And all services to a brother should fall within the bounds of honor and of justice to others. Just so defined, and not more narrowly limited, should be the duty of each of his fellows with whom he is associated in the chapter. For their sake, but unconsciously for his own sake in even greater degree, does the true-hearted Greek forego his own advantage and seek that of others. And thus for him, not merely in heart culture, but in the development of those traits which are to make him beloved and trusted and followed by men, is the chapter his great opportunity. As one of our best exchanges has said: *There is no room in the Fraternity for the philosophy of Cain.*"

A History of the Home of Tau Chapter by "A Kap."

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS,

AUSTIN, TEXAS, Dec. 28, 1886.

Dear Editor:—A brother in writing to the *Quarterly* some time since, suggested that it would be a good plan for Kappa Sigmas now in schools to give a sketch of their schools. The suggestion, I think, is a good one, and I am surprised that none, as yet, have adopted it. It may interest the readers of the *Quarterly* to hear something of the University of Texas. It might be well to state in the beginning that this school does not claim merely to be a university but is *in the broadest sense*. Many schools in Texas have stolen this name and falsely appropriated it. In fact, Texas boasts of no less than seventeen universities, but unfortunately for them, the ears and hoofs are so clearly seen that their identity is fixed before the bray is heard. The State of Texas had from the day of its admission into the Union, a fixed purpose to found at some time a grand State University, and by general consent, Austin, the capital of the State, was selected for its site. The civil war came upon the country, and even Texas, far removed from the scenes of strife, was paralyzed, and for a time all active work was stopped. The young men of the State abandoned their homes and rushed to the defence of their country.

Returning peace brought renewed prosperity, and Texas, because farthest removed from the strife, was among the first to recover from its effects. Again, the minds of the people turned toward the scheme that was dear to them, and now with determination to succeed.

The corner-stone was laid in 1883. In the fall of the same year, the university was opened for the reception of students. The school has grown steadily from its birth.

The Nation in a recent editorial says: "The University of Texas is fast becoming a center of learning." This coming from such a critic is a high encomium. Its faculty consists of professors, associate professors and instructors, and they number thirteen in all. The school has an endowment consisting of some three million acres of land. Texas is rich in this commodity. This land will bring in the near future six millions of dollars. The building is, as yet, incomplete, only one wing being finished. The faculty consists of men of no mean reputation, and by their conservative management, the school has taken immense strides, and now it occupies the second position among the colleges and universities of the South. This is not an idle boast, but an acknowledged fact. This school is second to none, save the University of Va. All enthusiastic "Kaps" will now ask: Has the Star and Crescent a place in this school? and has it grown with the institution? To both of the questions, we reply in the affirmative. Our membership is a large one, but better still, they are enthusiastic "Kaps," and men tried and true. The literary societies have just elected debators for the annual contest. Two out of six from the Athenaeum have confessed allegiance to the Star and Crescent.

Hoping that ere long other brothers will come forward with sketches of their respective schools. I remain,

Yours fraternally,

"A KAP."

Chapter Letters.

CHI CHAPTER.

PURDUE UNIVERSITY, IND.

As it is the pleasure of Chi that I should write a letter to the *Quarterly*, I shall in my first attempt endeavor to give its readers such news from our chapter as will best show its prosperity.

We are no longer hemmed in by anti-fraternity laws as we have been in the past. Up to this year the privilege of establishing a chapter of a fraternity here was extended only to juniors and seniors. This year our rival, the Sigma Chi, sought to wield another weapon against us, and petitioned the faculty to admit sophomors, which was granted. This was a great relief to us. By granting us, as juniors, the privilege of establishing a chapter, they were compelled to allow us to admit sophomores, and this brought two more of our men to the light.

Soon after we were recognized by the faculty, we engaged rooms in the city, and having fixed them up as comfortably, neatly and as artistically as our means would permit, we are now a happy chapter, and in good working order.

We now number seven, but will increase our number soon. We will initiate Mr. Ridgely at our next meeting, and in doing this we gain a victory over our rivals, which is a surprise to them, as they had sought him. This shows the good standing of our chapter and we intend to maintain it. We bear in mind that it is the quality and not the quantity of men that will keep up the high standing of our fraternity. Our object is the advancement of the interest of the Kappa Sigma fraternity, as well as self improvement, and as we all work in union, the "Lone Star" of Indiana continues to shine brighter every day.

The good work of Chi must go on, and as we have cast off the shackles which have bound us, we will work with renewed vigor until success has crowned our efforts.

Fraternally yours,
CHAS. M. MOCK, JR.

UPSILON CHAPTER.

HAMPDEN SIDNEY COLLEGE, VA., Dec. 14, 1886.

In the last *Quarterly* letter from Upsilon very truly did I say that we were expecting another Greek chapter at this college. She has come in the name of Phi Alpha Chi; has set her tents, and is making other vigorous efforts to obtain a firm hold and a suitable vantage ground from which to wage a warfare upon the rest of the Greek bands here assembled. We feel assured that the warfare will be fair and honorable. While we have nothing to say about the quality of her men, we must, to some degree, blame her for coming here at all. Just think of it, eight fraternities trying to live on one hundred students. While the quality of students at this college is, it is believed, above the average, yet, all the students at no college can be proper fraternity material. I mean proper material for chapters which try to obtain students who are gentlemen in every respect. Leave out a small number for these men, who would not make good Greeks, and the remainder will show how many are left to be divided.

We have initiated since you heard from us last, Mr. John Martin Luther, of Marion, Smyth co., Va. He is known, and comes highly recommended by all the Kappa Sigmas in that section.

We were extremely sorry to read in the last *Quarterly* the resignation of Bro. Brownrigg from his position on the editorial staff. However, we see that the present editor will keep our official organ up to its old standard.

Fraternally, H.

UNIVERSITY OF VA., *December 7th, 1886.**Kappa Sigma Quarterly :*

Zeta once more asserts her vitality; not only is she alive, but she is "up and a doing." Though for some years she has been indulging in too frequent naps, due, no doubt, to *malaise*; she now has the vigor of her young days; she sends Christmas and New Year greetings to her children, and in addition, gives them the following five brothers:

Henry S. Fleisher, Monterey, Va.; J. Shirley Hope, Portsmouth, Va.; Thomas H. Humphreys, Fort Smith, Ark.; Champe C. McCulloch, Waco, Texas; James A. Rice, Northumberland county, Va.

We have, and hope always will, select men, who have success stored up for them; men who, not only Zeta, the mother, but all her children will proudly say, he is one of us; men who we will gladly welcome into our private families; last but not least, men who will stand well in the eyes of the professors and students.

We hold as the key note to our success so far, that each man recognizes that he, *individually*, has a duty to perform, and does it. It is not sufficient that the Grand Master should work up the order. I feel assured that in the future Zeta shall be as of yore, a bright and shining light, not only in the Star and Crescent fraternity, but among all. What is to keep her from it? We have several in our chapter who will return next year. Brother John W. Tinsley (Z.) (professor at Middlebrook Academy) informed me by letter this afternoon that he and brother Sublett (Z.) (professor at Shenandoah Valley Academy) would return here next year. Then if Emory and Henry College will send her part as she promises to do, and all these will work as we have tried to do from the first, I can see in store for Zeta the most prosperous year of her existence.

I have no apology to make for these remarks, for I feel the importance of *each man working*, and that from the

very first of the session. My chief aim is to start Zeta on a grand career, and I am glad to say I believe she has started. This being my last letter as scribe, I can not let this opportunity pass without stating our condition, so that our brothers, who come here next year, may not wait until they have been here sometime, but seek out the fraternity and keep Zeta rolling up the hill, for it will be harder if you let her stop.

Brother B. H. Sewell (O. and Z.) expects to return here next year and take his B. L. He is now practicing his profession with success at Jonesville, Va.

Brother George Rives (Z.) paid us a "flying visit" a few weeks ago.

Yours in bonds of Kappa Sigma,
VIRGINIUS W. HARRISON.

DELTA CHAPTER.

MARYLAND MILITARY AND NAVAL ACADEMY,

OXFORD, MD., *December 19th, 1886.*

Dear Editor:—As I was sitting in my chamber, thinking how I should spend my Christmas vacation, and of the dear folks at home, I heard several irregular raps at my door, and upon opening it, the cheerful voice of brother Cooper inquired if our letter had been written to the *Quarterly*. With the admonition that it was high time it was on its way he departed.

Everything has come up right at Delta, and we have every reason to be proud of our success this time, five having joined our mystic circle, viz: D. J. Davis, of Indiana; W. W. Reed, of Pennsylvania; A. F. Wendell, of Pennsylvania; Joe. Wheeler, of Alabama; and Cliff N. Mitchell, of Texas. We expect to add one more at our next meeting.

The following officers were recently elected and appointed: Brother McIndoe, G. M., Brother Cooper, G. M. C., Brother Wooten, G. P., Brother Bell, G. S., Brother Abell, G. T., and Brother Taylor, G.

It is the unanimous desire of the members of this chapter to have a certificate of membership, and we suggest that the Supreme Executive Committee take the matter in hand; and if it is the wish of our sister chapters let them order certificates prepared so that we may have them by the end of the scholastic year. We would like to hear from the other chapters on this subject.

Brother Low, who has been sojourning in Kansas for the last six months, thinks of returning next term.

Yours,

C. N. M.

TAU CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS,

AUSTIN, TEXAS, *December 10, 1886.*

Dear Editor:—Unceasing time has winged its flight around, and again the pleasant task devolves on me of informing the Kappa Sigma world how Tau is progressing, and I note her progress and advancement with feelings of no little pleasure, for it is a pride any one must take to write to the *Quarterly* the state of affairs at his chapter. We are moving along as smoothly and pleasantly as a ship upon a placid ocean, with sixteen active, guarded, honored, and vigilant Kappa Sigmas.

The initiates since my last letter have all been tried in the balance of loyalty and have not been found wanting. They are A. A. Wyse, Bryan, Texas; Iverson Lane, Georgetown (who founded the chapter there); T. D. Rowell, Jefferson; J. L. McBride, Tyler, and J. L. Halbert, Carsicana, Texas, who, I know, will aid us in the glorious cause for which we are established.

Tau's offspring, for such she is, at the South-Western University, Georgetown, Texas, is, we learn, in a most healthy condition, having seven true and loyal Kappa Sigmas, and with Brother Lane at their head, and Brother Bondurant an occasional visitor, they cannot help but *become* enthused in their great work.

We are occasionally enlivened by a visit from Brother Hardenbergh (E.), now a thriving young druggist in San Antonio. Tau loves her visitors and only wishes more Kappa Sigmas would come here and enjoy the lovely climate and receive a hospitable welcome from the Kappa Sigmas of the far South.

Your correspondent is scarce of news save to say to all Kappa Sigmas that a royal welcome awaits them here. For 'tis

"Friendship cordial of the human breast
So little known, so frequently professed
Thy blossoms deck our unsuspecting years.
The harvest of delicious fruit appears,
He who would act a friend great part
Must be revered in nature, pure in heart."

Yours fraternally,

EDWARD BEE.

PSI CHAPTER.

MAINE STATE COLLEGE,

ORONO, ME., *October 9th, 1886.*

Again has the time arrived for me to perform the pleasant duty of writing our chapter letter to the *Quarterly*, and I am happy to be able to give such good news of Psi.

The beginning of the present term found nine of us in our places, and since then we have had our number increased to fifteen by the initiation of six members of the class of ninety, of whom the chapter has good cause to be proud.

Their names are Hugo Clark, R. H. Blackington, Leon Jones, F. B. Andrews, Chas. Dillingham and W. Sawyer.

During the first part of the term one of our number Brother Tripp was obliged to leave college. We hope he will be able to come back next year for we miss him very much.

Not long since Brother Ruth, who has been out for a year teaching, but who is to return in the spring, made us a visit of a fortnight.

At commencement the members of Kappa Sigma, who took part in the graduation and various class exercises, acquitted themselves in a manner which was very satisfactory to their brethren and friends.

[The above letter was received too late for publication in the October issue. TERRY, ED.]

December 15th, 1886.

Editor Terry's letter urging the corresponding secretaries to be more prompt, and the approach of January, tell me that the time has come for me to render an account of the condition and recent doings of Psi chapter.

Since our last letter to the *Quarterly* we have been blessed with unlooked for prosperity.

In the first place, we have rented and furnished a suite of rooms in the chapel building of the college, which is perfectly adapted to our needs. Then, our delegation from the class of ninety was of the highest order. Taking into consideration the fact that we had to cope with such rivals as long established and strong chapters of Beta Theta Pi and Q. T. V., we consider that our record is one to be proud of.

The trouble which came up between the faculty and students of the college, and which was caused by the stand taken by the former in a case of hazing, has entirely quieted down, and good feeling has been restored.

Although a wholesome rivalry exists between the chapters of the fraternities represented here, the bitter feeling is fast dying out and is being succeeded by a spirit of friendliness which we warmly welcome.

This feeling we think has been strengthened by having a third fraternity at work here; and there are still men here, who, for some reasons, the other chapters do not care for, yet, who, if united into a chapter, would form a strong, working set of fellows, who would be an honour to some college fraternity.

Hoping to receive the *Quarterly* in due season, and to learn good news from all the other chapters, I remain,

Your brother,

ABRAM W. SARGENT,

Cor. Sec. of Psi.

PI CHAPTER.

MORGANTOWN, W. VA., Dec. 12th, 1886.

No doubt many readers of the *Quarterly* were disappointed in not seeing a letter from Pi in the last issue. But owing to the fact that the University opened near the time that our letter should have been in; also, as we did not return at the opening of the session, and after we did return, we were kept so very busy to make up for lost time, that it was impossible for us to send in our communication. However, we propose to be on time for this and every other issue.

We are working slowly but surely, and in a very short time we expect to add several more members to the noblest of all Greek letter fraternities. They are splendid men and stand high among their fellow students, the faculty, and the people.

Nothing has done us more good than to hear of the founding of the several new chapters. Pi welcomes them into the fold and hopes that the new initiates will work unceasingly for the good of the order.

Pi has never had anything to regret so much as the loss of Brother Blair, who is now reading law at his home, Ritchie C. H., W. Va. He was an earnest and active member, never swerving from his duty. In him the University loses one of its hardest students, and the literary society, of which he was a member, its finish orator.

Brother B. C. Wilson is practicing law at Hamlin, W. Va. Brother N. M. Waters is principal of the Monongate Academy, Morgantown, W. Va.

December 12th, 1886.

Dear Editor:—Enclosed please find our chapter letter for the next issue of the *Quarterly*. We are extremely sorry that we have no new initiates to send you, but I think in a few days we will be able to get several new men. Our communication is much shorter than we intended it to be, but as we have not much news, it is impossible to send in a longer one.

Yours in Kappa Sigma,

H. T. HEUSHOW,

F. C. GETZENDANNER,

Correspondents.

EPSILON CHAPTER.

JACKSON, LA., Dec. 6, 1886.

Dear Editor:—Yours of some time ago received and contents duly noted. I expect you have “branded” me with “willful neglect,” but my delay was caused by circumstances which controlled me, and made it impossible for me to answer sooner, and give you the report you desired. Now I am prepared with a complete report, and only hope that my delay has caused you no inconvenience. The following are the names and addresses of men absent from the chapter:

E. L. Irwin, No. 140 Carondelet St., N. O., La.; R. R. Jones, No. 140 Carondelet St., N. O. La.; J. H. Ellis, No. 2 Pitt St., N. O., La.; John Smith, Jr., Waterproof, La.; C. H. Hardenbergh, San Antonio, Texas; W. E. McNeely, Mary, La.

Subscriptions due from the present members of Epsilon: M. S. Staudifer, \$1.50; B. N. Smith, \$1.50. New initiates, G. G. Keller, \$1.50; Thomas Ragan, \$1.50; J. M. Sims, \$1.50, total \$7.50.

You will find this amount enclosed. When you send the *Quarterly* in January please send the ones which come

to Centenary to me and I will distribute them to the boys.
Hoping this will prove satisfactory, I remain,
Your brother in Kappa Sigma,
B. N. SMITH.

November 23rd, 1886.

Dear Editor:—Kappa Sigma is all that we could desire this session. Our roll for this year has ten names on it, two of which number were added this session. Two of our number are studying medicine in New Orleans at present. We will soon initiate three or four more of the students.

The Rainbow fraternity has a splendid representative here in Mr. J. M. Sullivan. He is a member of the senior class. He will probably establish a chapter of his fraternity here some time soon. There is plenty of material for a good one, and we hope he will succeed in his efforts. None will join his that *we* have solicited; but some will join ours whom *he* has solicited.

Brother Hardenbergh paid us a much appreciated visit last October. We hope it will be repeated through the session.

The faculty are as much in favor of fraternities this year as they were opposed to them last.

We have every advantage over any fraternity that may attempt to establish itself, and we will retain it.

We eagerly await the coming of the *Quarterly*; none of us would miss a single number.

Fraternally yours,

A. P. IRWIN,
Correspondent.

OMICRON CHAPTER.

EMORY & HENRY COLLEGE,

EMORY, VA., Dec. 16th, 1886.

Omicron is still "numbered among the living." Could

she break the chains which bind her so steadfastly, she would shine with an admirable brilliancy. She is surrounded by those difficulties which directly tend to her destruction—anti-fraternity laws, but she is given a *cordial* which imparts life to the dying, and which enables her to live on. Despair is never dreamed of, and our faith is unwavering. For many years success has crowned the untiring efforts of our brethren in behalf of our noble order. Omicron has sent from this college some men who are already, and others who will be in a few years, an honor to her, an honor to the college, and an honor to their country. In every entertainment which has transpired at this place, not one time, in the memory of your scribe, has Omicron failed to have an important representative. She has stood around the bedside of her dying co-temporaries; she has watched the hearse bear away their bodies, but she lives in the bloom of health and in the same atmosphere which her co-temporaries died in. Our present number is small, but the time is not far distant when we can boast of that number which is pleasing to the soldier's ear. Our ballot box is quality; our watchword, undying devotion to the cause of Kappa Sigma. I sincerely trust that you will pardon me for the brevity of this letter. I promise to write in my next words which will interest your readers.

UNCLE.

PHI CHAPTER.

SOUTH-WESTERN PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY,

CLARKSVILLE, TENN., Dec. 11, 1886.

Dear Editor:—Since our last letter to the *Quarterly* we have been hard at work, and have had the pleasure of gaining for Phi a stronger hold in the University than she ever before attained. Only three old members returned in September, but we now have eight active and zealous Kappa Sigmas, and the members in town attend our meetings as often as their duties will permit. We are

truly a band of brothers, and all belong to one literary society. At the election in Nov., for the purpose of selecting those who shall defend the honors of the society next June, Bro. Daniel was elected first orator, and Bro. Hollins valedictorian. Bro. G. A. Henry has had the misfortune to lose his father. He has the deepest sympathy of the members of Phi. In the last number of the *Quarterly* you asked the chapter correspondents for information concerning our rival fraternities. Those that have chapters here, are A. T. O., P. K. A. and S. A. E. There is some rivalry between the chapters, not so much for men as for the honors of the societies. At the Inter-State Collegiate Contest, which takes place in Nashville next May, the two societies will be represented by an A. T. O., and a P. K. A. Bro. Jos. Dunlop has returned from Eastman College and is looking very well. Bro. R. W. Glenn has also returned from a trip to Texas. We are always on the look-out for the interest of Kappa Sigma and by the time for our next letter, hope to have one or two more names to give of those who have been admitted to our honored order.

Fraternally,

F. E. SNOWDEN.

SIGMA CHAPTER.

ADA, OHIO, Dec. 6th, 1886.

Fearing that no other brother of Sigma will send notes for this issue of the *Quarterly*, I take the responsibility, without appointment.

Since the organization of our chapter we have received many discouraging drawbacks, and at present are rather a *cipher* chapter on account of bitter opposition. Although we now rest in darkness, we sincerely hope the time is not far distant when the cloud of opposition will pass off and we can revel in the unobstructed rays of Kappa Sigma sunshine.

Since commencement, in July, most of Sigma's mem-

bers have become scattered, so I can only give the addresses and occupation of a part of them.

Bro. S. A. Hoskins is teaching near his home at Magnetic Springs, O.

Bros. F. E. and L. H. Seager are attending college at Naperville, Ill. Bro. F. E. is preparing for law. Bro. L. H. for ministerial work in the Presbyterian Church.

Bro. G. A. Spence is teaching at Fostoria, Ohio.

Bro. Bernard Daly is attending the medical college at Louisville, Ky. He expects to become a full fledged M. D. in a few months.

Bro. W. E. Hoover is teaching near Orville, Ohio.

Your humble servant is at his home, Cochranton, O., where he is teaching and reading medicine.

I have not heard from the other brothers lately, so can say nothing about them, only I know that they are doing good work somewhere. Several of them are at Ada, the seat of our trials and tribulations.

With best wishes for all Kappa Sigmas. I remain,

Your brother,

J. E. VIRDEN.

RHO CHAPTER.

N. G. A. COLLEGE, *Dec. 7th, 1886.*

Our chapter has at present seven active members, all of whom are loyal and noble young men; are among the leaders in their classes, and will be among the leaders in whatever they undertake.

Three of them are officers in the military department—E. L. Phillips, captain; D. S. Craig, second lieutenant; W. A. Sheldon, color sergeant, and we expect to get some of the most important officers when the second company shall be formed.

Since our last letter the following have been initiated: D. S. Craig, West Minister, S. C.; A. J. B. Snelson, Thomaston, Ga.

We have two seniors, J. H. Phillips and E. L. Phillips. One junior, W. A. Sheldon. Two sophomores, T. M. Stribling and E. C. Cartlege, and one freshman, A. J. B. Snelson.

Yours fraternally,

E. L. PHILLIPS.

Enclosed you will find one dollar and a half for the *Quarterly*.

E. L. PHILLIPS.

KAPPA CHAPTER.

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY,

NASHVILLE, TENN., Dec. 7th, 1886.

At this time of great speculative booms throughout the country Kappa has not failed to come to the front and start a little boom of her own.

I believe we promised great things in our last letter and I am glad to announce in this that we are fully able to keep our promise.

Our initiates, so far, are Bros. Elliott Buckner, Law, '87; J. F. Morrison, Lit.; Paul Turner, Eng.; W. H. S. Armstead, Law; D. H. Boyd, Phar.; T. H. Craig, Med.; T. E. Gannaway, Phar.

We have now twenty-two members on our chapter roll, and you can see from the above initiates, that we are well represented in all the departments of the University.

We are very comfortably fixed in our chapter room, several chapter groups and pictures of prominent Kappa Sigmas adorn our walls, a nicely carpeted floor and comfortable chairs make it a very inviting place. We were glad to welcome in our midst for a few days, Bro. R. Taylor Gleaves. We are always glad to see brothers from a distance and hope they will notify us of their coming, so that we can meet them on their arrival.

We were presented some time ago with a large fruit cake, having on it the Star and Crescent, and the letters

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be, doubtless, Kappa Sigma chapters, and are purely the offspring of Epsilon—you being the grand-daddy of all the glory! Moreover, this goes to prove what I told you about Epsilon."

From a brother at Athens comes the following: "I wish you all success in your enterprise, and hope your zeal and merit will be recognized by an abundance of subscriptions."

Omricon's correspondent says, under date of October 30th: "We are all delighted with this issue, and hope you will keep it up to the standard you have begun."

From an alumni brother: "Doesn't even a 'labor of love,' without any return, sometimes grow tiresome? I think you make a considerable sacrifice!"

Under this head we might add with appropriateness the annexed:

The *Kappa Sigma Quarterly* for July is the youngest of all the exchanges that have come to hand, but by no means the most puerile. Of course, we do not approve of the biographical sketches with which this and preceding numbers have been occupied, but that hardly makes any difference to K. S. There is sufficient other material to make this a good number.—*Chi Phi Quarterly*.

With the July number, The *Kappa Sigma Quarterly* completes its first volume. The first year it has fully established itself among fraternity publications as the unique miscellaneous magazine. The July number opens with a sketch of Arthur C. Heffenger, M. D., of the U. S. Navy, with portrait. * * * *

"A Type," or better, "a eulogy on Jefferson Davis," by Duncan Martin, reads to a Northerner as if it was a little overdrawn, however, it is a very fine production and reflects credit on the author. * * * *

"Consolidation or Independence," by "Excerpta," is a solid, sensible article, which we think the "Rainbow" ought to answer,—if it can. * * * *

"Greek News" are not very fresh.

With the October No. the *Kappa Sigma Quarterly* begins its second volume. "A Short Sketch of the Life of S. A. Jackson" appears in this number, which shows him to be a loyal and useful Kappa Sigma. He established seven chapters, besides all the other work he did for his fraternity. "It Doesn't Pay" is a good article on "Lifting" taken from *The Golden Key*. "Secret Societies," which we publish in another column, is good reading. Eleven chapter letters appear—a smaller number than usual. *Greek "Dots"* are more extensive than usual. A number of personals appear which are very interesting. F. H. Terry, the new editor, makes a polite bow and then gives us a number of good editorials, after which, several pages are quoted from the Delta Chapter Annual with which the number closes, making a neat number of 43 pages.—*Alpha Tau Omega Palm*.

Greek "Dots."

Omega chapter, Northwestern University, of the Sigma Chi fraternity, has issued a chapter history.

At the University of Georgia the fraternities have bound themselves not to enter into any combinations for political purposes during the present college year. A similar arrangement was agreed upon last year, and its renewal tends to establish the feasibility of doing away with one of the strongest objections to the fraternity system.—*Delta Tau Delta Crescent*.

One of our honored exchanges "offers a cromo" to all delinquents who will toe the financial chalk line.

Of the five Division Chiefs of the Sigma Nu fraternity, all but one are under-graduates. This order is in a prosperous

condition, and the above accounts for it. It would be better if some other orders would "go and do likewise"—put their young men in the front ranks, and retire the old veterans on full pay—of past achievements.

Wytheville is undoubtedly the Mecca for Kappa Sigmas in this great section of Virginia. There are more brothers and "sisters" in the "Mountain City" than in any other town of the same size in the state.—And with the greatest pride do we say that there are few lurkers, drones in this camp.

Nine different fraternities had chapters at the University of Kas., Lawrence, Kan., last year with a total membership of 142.

A private letter from the editor of the *Beta Theta Pi* informs us that that journal will be issued this year as a quarterly. From the visits it makes the *Quarterly*, one would say it was an annual.

The chapter of Phi Kappa Sigma, at Lehigh University, consisted, the first of the present session, of one member, a senior.

Phi Delta Theta, at Lafayette, is "no more."

The Annual Convention of the Chi Phi fraternity was held at the Galt House, Louisville, Ky., November 17. On the following evening a large banquet was given.

The Chi Phis, at the University of Virginia, are few in number this year.

Mr. Baudinot Keith, has been elected editor-in-chief of the *Chi Phi Quarterly*, Mr. Ed. E. Stokes' successor, his term having expired in November last. The *Quarterly*, in the future, will be published in New York city.

Bowdoin College had 121 students last year, all of whom, except five, were fraternity men.

The Delta Kappa Epsilons met in convention in Washington, D. C., the 7th of this month.

The ladies have organized another Greek society—the Alpha Chi Omega.

There are now being issued twenty-three fraternity journals.

The Sigma Chis in convention decided positively not to extend their order further east.

The Alpha Taus met in convention in Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 29th, '86.

Theta Delta Chi's chapter at Lafayette College is reported to be dead.

The Alpha Taus, at Sewanee, Tenn., are erecting a stone chapter hall.

Sigma Phis' chapter at Union College, N. Y., is practically dead.

There were 321 students at Lehigh University, Penna., last year, of which number 125 were fraternity men.

An exchange says Phi Delta Theta and Delta Tau Delta are also making arrangements to enter Cornell College, Iowa. There seems to be room for more as over four hundred students are in college this year.

The anti-fraternity law, which has been in force at Perdue University, Ind., for years, has been withdrawn. At this college there are but two fraternities—Sigma Chi and Kappa Sigma.

The Annual Convention of the S. A. E. fraternity was held in Atlanta some months since—the date we have forgotten.

One of our exchanges is our authority for saying that the chapter of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, at Stevens Institute, N. J., “is no more.”

Another fraternity “has gone into” Hampden Sidney College, Va. We cannot recall its name just at this moment. It is not well known to the Greek world.

Delta Tau Delta has so legislated as to prohibit the misused practice of lifting members from other Greek fraternities.

Zeta Phi, a local society now confined to the University of Missouri, claims a chapter-roll of four hundred at that place.

The Delta Tau Deltas deny that it is, or ever was, a custom with them to wear certain colors when they “bugged” a man.

The Senior Society of the “Ax and Coffins” is to be revived in Columbia. The membership is limited to fifteen.

The Beta Theta Pis are trying to enter the University of Col.

The scarcity of fraternity material is said to be quite noticeable at Randolph-Macon College, Va., this year. The fraternities there have made comparatively few initiations on account of it.

HER REWARD.—A young lady by the name of Miss Kate Carothers is a regularly initiated member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, because she established a chapter of that order at the University of Mississippi, in '81.

The Phi Delta Theta is said to be the first fraternity to fully recognize their loneliness and to initiate one of the weaker sex into the mysteries of their beloved brotherhood.—*Ex.*

The Sigma Nus met in convention at Lexington, Ky., Aug. 4th, '86, and continued in session two days. Thirteen chapters were represented. The next convention of this order will meet at Birmingham, Ala., Aug., next. The convention at Lexington ordered a catalogue to be issued.

Delta Tau Deltas say they won't initiate "preps." We have seen "preps" who would reflect credit on seniors. There are many of the latter who would not make good fraternity men.—And at the same time, there are many of the former who would.

A new fraternity has come to us this year, Phi Alpha Chi. Its chapter is rather a strong one numerically, but it is as yet but little known in our Greek world. The "Mystic Seven" has changed its name to Phi Theta Alpha, and its badge from a monogram of the letters *ME* to a star, with the three letters given above, in the centre. There is a rumor that Sigma Nu is to start a chapter here, but nothing material has come of it.—*U. of V. cor. Phi Kappa Psi Shield.*

Phi Gamma Delta has a new chapter at the institution known as William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo. It was formerly a chapter of the Zeta Phi fraternity, which had three chapters, all in that state. The parent chapter was founded at the University of Missouri in 1870, so says the correspondent of the *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly*, "by Prof. Root, of Sigma Chi, who, having failed in his attempt to obtain a charter from his fraternity, modeled the Zeta Phi after it." The third chapter was at Washington University, St. Louis, but is now defunct.

There are but four fraternities at Roanoke College,

Salem, Va., this year, and they stand as follows: Phi Delta Theta, with 14; Phi Gamma Delta, 8; Sigma Chi, 6; Alpha Tau Omega, 5.

The Alpha Tau Omega *Palm* says Beta Theta Pi is dead at Harvard. A Delta Upsilon, who recently visited Cambridge, reports that he saw the Beta Theta Pi and Delta Kappa Epsilon arms pinned together on a door in a room in Mathews Hall. The occupant (the catcher on the Harvard base-ball nine) said he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and Beta Theta Pi. The chapter has the names of twelve seniors and juniors on its rolls, so we don't think Beta Theta Pi is dead in the *sense* to which our exchange refers.—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

A BAD SHOWING.—During the year ending April 1, '86, fourteen members of the various chapters of Phi Delta Theta resigned or were expelled.

This, we expect, explains all:

The historian of Phi Delta Theta states that *sixty* members were initiated by the chapter at the University of Alabama during the year ending April 1, 1886.

A correspondent of one of the Greek journals from the University of Texas, says: From all external appearances, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, which has maintained a kind of torpid existence here, is now dead. Its demise has been quiet and without pain (to anybody else) as far as I know.

The Twenty-seventh General Convention of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity met in Louisville, Ky., August 23rd, and continued in session three days. Among the principal subjects that were discussed during its sessions were: a revision of its constitution and initiation, and the establishment of a summer resort for its members, at or near Bay View, Mich.

The Bi-yearly Convention of the Phi Delta Theta frater-

nity met in New York city, October 18th, and was in session several days. Many of its prominent members were present, including Robert Morrison, of Mo., the founder of the order. A charter for a chapter was issued to the Southern University, Greensboro, Ala., and, also, an alumni chapter charter for Atlanta, Ga.

Personals.

Brother Wm. J. Horton (O.) is practicing his profession, law, at Fort Scott, Ark. His success has been flattering, which we note with pleasure.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT—BROTHER GARLAND.—The members of Centenary Church, Lynchburg, Va., met November, '86, and passed the following resolutions of respect:

Whereas, By reason of our church law, the relation existing between this Quarterly Conference and our Presiding Elder, Brother J. P. Garland, ceases with to-night, and,

Whereas, We, the Quarterly Conference at Centenary Church, desiring to bear testimony unto our brother for the efficient and prompt discharge of official duties as presiding officer,

Resolved, That we herein express unto our brother our high appreciation of, and love for him. And we most earnestly commend him and his loved ones to the tender care of the Great Shepherd and Bishop of our souls, and that his labors in a new field may meet the divine approval.

Brother Garland goes to the Richmond district.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to Brother Augustus Ruffer, W. G. P., Charleston, W. Va., in his present bereavement, the death of his mother, which occurred about the last of October.

Brother A. W. Sargent, Psi chapter, is teaching school at Weston, Me. He expects to return to his chapter, Me. State College, Orono, in that State, in the spring.

Brother W. C. Philips, Omega chapter, is in the mercantile business in Nashville, Tenn., living with the firm of Kinkade & Co.

Brother W. C. Hardenbergh, one of the founders of Epsilon chapter, which is eulogy enough, is in the drug business at San Antonio, Texas. He is meeting with marked success.

We hear that Brothers Jas. S. Boyd and O. U. Mutz, Chi chapter, have moved to Dakota, and are living in a town called Aberdeen. We have not been acquainted as to what they are pursuing for a livelihood.

A gentleman, at one time a resident of Memphis, Tenn., who was personally acquainted with ex-President Jefferson Davis' family while they were residents of that city, in writing the *Cincinnati Times—Star* a brief sketch of Miss Winnie Davis, makes the following allusion to the late Jefferson Davis, Jr.—“ Jeff., Jr., a Democratic lad just developing into an admirable man and citizen, fell a victim to the yellow fever, and a sacrifice to his own heroic resolve to nurse the needy and sick during the frightful epidemic in Memphis in 1878.” The deceased was a member of Xi chapter, Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, Va. By reference to the '86 catalogue it will be seen that he was born in Washington City, January 16th, '57; died near Memphis, October 16th, '78.

Brother T. P. Collins, Psi, is in the mercantile business in Ft. Fairfield, Mo.

Brother A. L. Ruth, Psi, is teaching in a High school, Frankfort, Me., with success.

Brother J. D. Blogden, Psi, ex-G. M., of the chapter, is, also, teaching.

Brother H. A. McNalley, G. T., of Psi, is in business at Basen Mills, Ma., only, though, during the present winter vacation.

In our October issue we noted that Brother Rolfe E. Bolling, Sigma, had been seriously wounded in the face, while hunting, with bird shot. With the exception of the total loss of the sight in his left eye, he is as well as formerly.

Bro. Jas. Gus. Hankins, Upsilon chapter, has a good position in the Sec'y of the Commonwealth's office, Richmond, Va.

The Zeta Psis were in annual convention, New York city, on the 6th inst. Twenty-two colleges and universities were represented.

Applications for chapter charters were received from Lehigh and Northwest Universities and Dartmouth and Yale Colleges and the College of the City of New York. One of their alumni, ex-Congressman Charles Sumner, of Cal., was authorized to place chapters of the order at the colleges and universities of Europe.

Editorials.

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Best wishes, success, luck, love, &c., are very appropriate and nice at certain times and places, but they are out of time and place when we attempt to meet our current expenses with them. On the alumni, especially, do we wish to impress that this journal cannot be run on "love" &c., that it takes every man's creed!

It is true that there is yet some doubt as to where the next conclave of this fraternity will be held, whether in Chattanooga or Nashville, but that should not prevent the chapters meeting in special session, as soon as possible, and designating who shall represent them. If the chapters are able, they should pay all, a part, any way, of their delegates' necessary expenses. We hope the chapters will meet and appoint their representatives in the next thirty days, and furnish us with a complete list of them for publication in the April issue. To us, these points are of importance. Let them be attended to!

We shall send out some statements of accounts in a few days, to which we want prompt responses. In the meantime, to save yourself the mortification of receiving a "dun," remit!

The correspondent of *The Sigma Chi*, from the University of Texas, Austin, in enumerating the fraternities at that institution, leaves Kappa Sigma out of the count altogether. We are in doubt to account for the error. Don't know whether it was due to bad vision, caused by ill used glasses, or mean whiskey. The latest from that University says the counted-outs have the largest chapter roll of any order there. In this case, let that "Sig." "go behind the returning board," go back and count over!

Some of the faculty, and the would-like-to-be members of any fraternity, Lord! at Emory and Henry College, Va., hate all Kappa Sigmas worse than the devil does holy water. We should be loved for the enemies we have made.

A part of the faculty and the plain-gold-badge-anti-fraternity (from *necessity*, not choice,) youths at Emory and Henry College, Va., are still waging war against the Kappa Sigma fraternity, with very little effect, for the "Chinese" are still there. Well, "if the blood of the martyrs is still the seed of the Church," let 'em kick.

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TO ALL WITHIN THE TWELFTH GATE, OR OTHERS WHOM IT
MAY CONCERN—*Greeting :*

Agreeable to the Constitution, your Supreme Executive Committee announces that the next *Grand Convention of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity shall meet Monday and Tuesday, June 27, and 28, '87.*

A prayer having gone up from Kappa Chapter, in which she was joined by most of the other chapters, to change the place of meeting from Chattanooga to Nashville, Tenn., we here announce in favor of the last named city.

The Committee on Credentials will meet the Delegates at the Hall at 10 o'clock, Monday morning, June 27, and the Convention will be opened in Bologness Form at 10:30.

I. Chapters are notified to elect Delegates, to represent them, as soon as possible. Duly accredit them and notify the Committee of Arrangements.

II. Those brothers not going from or representing chapters, who expect to be present, will also, please notify the Committee of Arrangements.

III. The following named brothers shall constitute the Committee of Arrangements : H. R. Buckner, Jr., Chair-

the medal was offered. A large proportion of those competent to serve in this capacity chanced that year to be members of a fraternity which had only one representative in the contest. This brother had been my roommate, and if other reasons had not been abundant, this of itself was sufficient to make it certain that I would not be called upon to serve on this committee. Hence, I felt perfectly free to express my opinion to this brother and talk to him about his chances. Upon one occasion I asked what would be his reply to the other contestants if they should urge *fraternity* as a reason why the good committeemen of the hall should be counted out. This was his answer—"I shall say: 'Gentlemen, this is a case of *honor* and not of *preference*. It is not a ruling principle in *my* fraternity to support a member on fraternity grounds merely."

This brother struck the key note. This rule of honor is the criterion which should regulate every decision.

Never let your preference make your honor yield. In concluding an article of the greatest haste permit me to lay down a simple rule of action in such cases as I have been noticing.

If you can,
Support your man,
But if another
Excel your brother,
Then, honor bright,
Stand up for right,
And cast an honest vote.

Fraternally,

A K. S.

*A Review of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity,
Covering Two Years.*

A retrospect of two years takes us back to the session of 1884-5, shortly before the Sixth Conclave. A passing cloud seemed to overhang the "Star of Hope" and dim the "Curling Crescent," but formidable as it did then appear, the whole was soon dispelled. Never, we may truly say, was the path to prosperity more suddenly revealed than to our cherished Kappa Sigma knighthood.

Bowed down by the fetters of the anti-fraternity laws enacted by unjust and unwise faculties of our Southern colleges, without a general spirit of progress, our order seemed to lose for a moment that invincible adherence to its tenets which had characterized it. We had no organ. Our catalogue was incomplete, and valuable records were displaced. Our members of many chapters were not familiar with the ceremonies and the secret work, especially those chapters which were in colleges with stringent anti-fraternity laws, which, as a matter of course, precluded the possibility of even chapter halls. Under these yokes our success was questionable, and the question was agitated at one time as to whether it was not the most-available thing that we could do to bodily enter another order.

To one who had at college been bound by the ties of the "true believer," had learned to honor, cherish, and love the Star and Crescent; whose fraternity was his second nature, a part of his being, this was a bitter cup, but thank God the day is over and past when the Star and Crescent will ever be merged in foreign Hellenism, even though we subvert all else to sustain it.

The Sixth Conclave met, though not a large number of our members was present, there were there those who had the well being of the fraternity most deeply at heart.

The legislation of that body sowed the seed of our greatest triumphs.

The *Kappa Sigma Quarterly* was then founded, and for our order nothing of more vital importance could have possibly been done. Before its publication, we were known to exist by the great Greek World, but by no more. We were told of by Baird and there treated of unjustly. But no comment is here pertinent as to Mr. B. The fraternities at large have sufficient knowledge of his book.

But to proceed.—Shortly after the convention of 1885, a fresh zeal seemed infused into K. S.'s veins.

First, the long needed Quarterly was firmly established, the usefulness of which we all feel, and its achievements are unnumbered. An immediate offspring may it be said of the Quarterly was the founding of Epsilon chapter, at Centary College, La., and further, less direct but none the less was the founding of "Colony Gamma" at the University of Louisiana.

And to these Psi chapter at Maine State College, Pi at the University of West Virginia, Delta at the Maryland Naval Academy, Tau at the University of Texas, Iota at Southwestern University, Rho at Georgia State College, Sigma at the Ohio University, Chi at Purdue University and Alpha at ———, Georgia (*sub-rosa*), and pending applications to be acted upon by the Supreme Executive Committee.

The above are some of Kappa Sigma's achievements as to new chapters, not to speak of the reviving of Kappa chapter which might well be added to the list. Should we not be proud of this? If not, then let our exertions end and those of any Greek order for there is no better record.

Through a maze of success we have had our adversities. Soon after the Conclave, W. G. S. Eugene A. Snowden resigned his commission, because of over-work. This was thought at first an irreparable loss, for Bro. Snowden was one well calculated to fulfill the trust, but Bro. Ed. L. Sutton, of Atlanta, was elected to succeed him, and

nothing can be sung in his praise that will reward him for the labor and zeal which he has expended in Kappa Sigma's interests.

Another still greater and much mourned loss was the death of Wm. H. Inglesby, past W. G. P. Kappa Sigmas who knew him will ever mourn his loss, and know that his soul has found rest in the veiled and mysterious world beyond.

Without further detailing the events of the past two years, I will add that during the time no chapter has been lost either by the withdrawal of a charter, or by the downfall of any institution, and as to a Kappa Sigma chapter dying of itself, there seems to be no such event possible. It is gratifying to one, who has carefully watched the growth of the order, the circumstances which work its good, and who has expended some energy in its behalf, to know what has been accomplished, and we attempt briefly to show what has been done. Much more could be told, indeed the story is not half told. May the following two years be as prosperous.

C. F.

History of Lambda Chapter

BY J. N. ROGART, LAMBDA.

In the year 1877, permission was granted Bro. Jas. P. McMillan to establish a chapter of the Kappa Sigma fraternity at the University of Tennessee, located at Knoxville, and as a result only one other member, Bro. Richard McKenny, was initiated. In the spring of 1880, Bros. Chas. F. Humes, Price Thomas and others who had been declared eligible, wrote to Bro. S. A. Jackson, W. G. P., saying:—"Come over and help us." In obedience to this appeal, Bro. Jackson visited Knoxville, and made the

11th of May, 1880 an ever memorable day to the small but select band already united in the cause, although they had not yet been received into the mystic union. The fire kindled that day by Bro. Jackson has continued ever since to burn brightly, and has spread until one hundred hearts have been set on fire with zeal for the cause of Kappa Sigma.

The growth of Lambda was at first slow, for many obstacles had to be met and overcome. No law then existed forbidding the students of the University to belong to secret orders, but it was probably because there had been no occasion for such a law. It was known that some of the members of the faculty were opposed to fraternities, and for fear they might oppose the movement, the first meetings were held without the knowledge of the faculty or students. At first the meetings were held in a small room over a business house in the city, but afterwards a suitable hall was procured, where the brothers have since continued to hold their meetings. As soon as the number of members was sufficient, Bro. Price Thomas was elected G. M.; Chas. F. Humes, G. M. C.; Thos. S. Vaden, G. T.; Wm. G. McAdoo, G. P.; Edwin W. Kennedy, G. S.; and David Fleming, Chaplain. Thus nobly officered, Lambda began to add member to member, until at the end of the year about fifteen had passed in safety the "Twelfth Gate" and had been made partakers of all the blessings of Kappa Sigma.

The following is a list of the Grand Masters, as far as can be ascertained from the minutes, which are rather incomplete: Bros. Price Thomas, Chas. F. Humes, Walter B. Kennedy, Wm. G. McAdoo, Rufus F. O'Neal, Frederick V. Stirman, Wm. I. Thomas, Charles Walker, David R. Coward, Charles C. Cannon, Arthur D. Gibson, Robert H. Baugh, Jas. M. McCallie, Jeff. D. Casselberry, Thadeus P. Thomas, Jno. L. Kirby and Robert E. Durrett. As before stated, Lambda has received one hundred members, and of this number, twenty-five are graduates of the University, most of them with distinction, and

some with the highest honors. As the University is military, the students are formed into a battalion of cadets, and the officers are chosen by the faculty, reference being had to class standing, conduct, etc. Of the twenty-five Kappa Sigmas who have graduated, eighteen were captains and seven, lieutenants. Ten of the members who did not reach the Senior class were lieutenants, and very many of them have held lower offices. The presidents of our literary societies are usually taken from the Senior class, and the graduating Kappa Sigmas, almost without an exception, have received this honor. A large per cent. of the best debators, essayists and orators of these societies belonged to Kappa Sigma, and consequently they have more often been chosen to represent the societies in their annual exhibitions. For three or four years it has been a custom of the societies to award medals for proficiency in oratory, debate and declamation. Many of these have been won by "our men." Brother Charles F. Humes represented the Chi Delta society at the State Oratorical Contest in May, 1833; and afterwards, Bros. Coward and Fisher were elected to speak. The Philomsthesian society has recently elected Bro. J. D. Casselberry to represent it at the next contest. Bro. W. I. Thomas was the first president of this association. For several years past, the societies have published mouthlies, and nearly all the editors-in-chief of the *Chi Delta Crescent* have been members of Kappa Sigma. Some of the editors of the *Star* have, also, been Kappa Sigmas.

Our alumni members are scattered over the South and North, holding responsible positions as teachers, lawyers, physicians, civil engineers, and business men generally. Fifteen are teachers; fourteen, lawyers; five, civil engineers; three, journalists; and sixteen are in other business. Some are still attending college, and I have not been able to find out the occupation of others.

There are many of whom the chapter has reason to be proud, among whom may be mentioned the following: Bro. Edwin Wexler Kennedy, graduated in the year 1880,

and after gaining a reputation in the schools of Knoxville, was called to North Carolina, where he has become one of the foremost educators of the "Old North State." He is at present the Superintendent of the Graded Schools of Durham. Bros. Price Thomas and Rufus F. O'Neal, also, won reputations as educators in the same State, the former being for two years Superintendent of the Graded Schools of New Berne. At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Tennessee in the summer of 1886, Bro. Thomas was elected Assistant Professor of Agriculture and Natural History.

Bro. Louis Conner Carter graduated in 1883, and was soon elected Instructor of Applied Mathematics at his Alma Mater, which position he held for two years. Last summer he was elected Instructor in Mathematics and Director of the Mechanical Department. He has recently spent two months at Purdue University, studying the best methods for conducting his new department.

Bro. Wm. I Thomas graduated in the year 1884, and was immediately elected as Instructor in Modern Languages. In June, 1885, he received the degree—Master of Arts, and was re-elected to his former position. In 1886, there was conferred upon him the degree—Doctor of Philosophy, which degree had never before been conferred at the University. In the following month, he was elected Assistant Professor of Ancient and Modern Languages.

Bro. Chas. Walker graduated in 1885, with the degree—B. C. E., and after spending another year taking a special course in chemistry and physics, and received the degree—Master of Arts. A vacancy occurring shortly afterwards, he was elected Assistant Professor of Chemistry and Physics in the University.

Bros. Saml. G. Heiskell, Chas. F. Humes, James H. Morrison, and John W. Green are talented young lawyers of Knoxville, and I predict for them a bright future. Bro. Heiskell was an elector in the last Presidential campaign.

Bro. Wm. G. McAdoo is a prominent lawyer of Chatta-

nooga, Tennessee. He has for some time been Deputy Clerk of the U. S. Supreme court.

Bro. Frank Goodman is President of Goodman's business College at Nashville, Tenn., which is not surpassed in the South. Bros. Alex. Summers and J. H. Bean are editors of the *Knoxville Tribune*, one of the leading Democratic organs of the State.

At present, Lambda has ten active members, who are full of love for Kappa Sigma, and will make any sacrifice for its interests. Of four presidents of the literary societies this collegiate year, three have been Kappa Sigmas. Three have been editors-in-chief of the college papers, viz:—Bros. Jas. M. McCollie, Bowman, and Chas. Julian. Lambda far outnumbers any other fraternity in the University, and has nothing to fear from any source. The faculty are not opposed to its existence, and everything points to a glorious future. We are continually hearing of some new laurel being won by our men, and only this week have I heard that Bros. F. T. Collins and D. L. Gillespie have recently graduated with highest honors at Eastman's Business College.

Gladly would I close this brief history here, but alas! it is incomplete. The pages of all history must ever and anon be marred by the accounts of the destruction wrought by the last great enemy of man. Our little band has not escaped, but thrice has it been reminded that "In the midst of life we are in death." In June, 1881, Bro. Wm. Baxter Young graduated and soon left for the great West. In the autumn time, he was brought back, cold in death, but endowed with excellent faculties, and full of hope and noble aspirations, he was just entering upon active life, when death removed him from our midst, and left us to mourn a beloved brother.

Again, in the joyous Christmas time, when youth most clings to life, Bro. Saml. Clarkson Young was torn away from us, and our joy was turned into sorrow.

Only a few weeks ago came the sad intelligence that Bro. Thos. Rice Allen had passed into eternity, and a

third time were our hearts crushed by a sore dispensation of Providence. But "death does not end all," and we live in the hope of a glorious reunion beyond the grave.

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*A History of Upsilon Chapter—Hampden Sidney
College, Va.*

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been noted for their good behavior and the high standard of morality which prevailed among them.

Many men, who have since become famous, were educated within her halls and owe much of their success to the training they received there. In about 1846, Zeta chapter of Beta Theta Pi, made its appearance, and many of the best men, who have left the college, have been her members. The influence of this fraternity has always been for good; that the literary societies of Hampden Sidney have been less troubled by clicks, &c., than those of most colleges, is partly due to the excellent example set by Beta Theta Pi. Next, in 1850, came Phi Kappa Psi, followed in rapid succession by Chi Phi, Phi Tau Delta, and Sigma Chi. None of these last have, however, exerted much influence either upon the college or upon the boys, and with the exception of Phi Kappa Psi, will in another year or two be numbered with the things of the past. In the fall of 1883, a local fraternity, Phi Mu Tau, seeing the need of stronger bonds and that it would be impossible to extend their order, applied for and received a charter from Kappa Sigma. Accordingly, some time in October, Bro. S. A. Jackson arrived at the college and founded Upsilon. The time when Kappa Sigma entered Hampden Sidney was most propitious for such an event. A new era of prosperity had just been inaugurated in college affairs, and the old and long established fraternities were lazily anticipating the glorious future in store for them, and little dreaming that at the opening of the next session, from which they expected so much, they would find a dangerous rival in Kappa Sigma. Yet, they did. When the college opened (1884) there were but three Kappa Sigmas on the ground. These three, however, recognized the fact that whatever work was to be done by them must be done at once; they knew that if they waited they would be unable to cope with their older and stronger rivals; they, also, knew that it is a dangerous practice to snatch up a man as soon as he arrives on the campus, and that to judge only by the exterior is not safe, yet it was their only chance for existence, and thus before the other fraternities

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Many men, who have since become famous, were educated within her halls and owe much of their success to the training they received there. In about 1846, Zeta chapter of Beta Theta Pi, made its appearance, and many of the best men, who have left the college, have been her members. The influence of this fraternity has always been for good; that the literary societies of Hampden Sidney have been less troubled by clicks, &c., than those of most colleges, is partly due to the excellent example set by Beta Theta Pi. Next, in 1850, came Phi Kappa Psi, followed in rapid succession by Chi Phi, Phi Tau Delta, and Sigma Chi. None of these last have, however, exerted much influence either upon the college or upon the boys, and with the exception of Phi Kappa Psi, will in another year or two be numbered with the things of the past. In the fall of 1883, a local fraternity, Phi Mu Tau, seeing the need of stronger bonds and that it would be impossible to extend their order, applied for and received a charter from Kappa Sigma. Accordingly, some time in October, Bro. S. A. Jackson arrived at the college and founded Upsilon. The time when Kappa Sigma entered Hampden Sidney was most propitious for such an event. A new era of prosperity had just been inaugurated in college affairs, and the old and long established fraternities were lazily anticipating the glorious future in store for them, and little dreaming that at the opening of the next session, from which they expected so much, they would find a dangerous rival in Kappa Sigma. Yet, they did. When the college opened (1884) there were but three Kappa Sigmas on the ground. These three, however, recognized the fact that whatever work was to be done by them must be done at once; they knew that if they waited they would be unable to cope with their older and stronger rivals; they, also, knew that it is a dangerous practice to snatch up a man as soon as he arrives on the campus, and that to judge only by the exterior is not safe, yet it was their only chance for existence, and thus before the other fraternities

were in operation or dreamed of what was going on, Kappa Sigma had initiated three or four men, and so fortunate was she in the selections that one of her members afterwards, when speaking of them, said, that he believed "God watched over the fraternity and guided her selections."

Now, prosperity began in earnest for Upsilon. Her sons understood what they had to do, and felt that it would be a reproach on themselves individually if the noble cause, for which they worked, should fail. Every arm was nerved, and every man determined to make Kappa Sigma a success at all hazards. At this time (Sept. 1884,) the fraternities had their halls taken from them by the faculty. This was a serious drawback to all except Kappa Sigma. The other fraternities, in their splendidly furnished halls, held their meetings once in every two weeks, and when they were turned out of them, the interest of the members was shaken, and their strongest ties severed. Their members did not know how to manage without halls. It was otherwise, however, with Kappa Sigma, who neither knew nor felt the necessity of a hall. The ties which bound her members lay not in a curtained and carpeted room, but in the fraternity itself, and so she continued her meetings in one of her members' rooms, while many of her opponents almost ceased their meetings, and their members drifted apart. The session of 1885 opened still more opportunely for us. The other fraternities entered the contest for the new men with zeal much weakened by the loss of their halls. Kappa Sigmas, on the other hand, remembering the many insulting things which had been said about them at the time their chapter was founded, and flushed with their numerous victories over their now weakening rivals, pushed their chapter to a most enviable position. At this time, my connection with the chapter ceased. The chapter had enrolled 22 men; had grown to be a healthy chapter, one that all respected and feared as a rival with a record so spotless that her most scrutinizing enemy could fix no single act of immorality or dishonor. Not one of the original mem-

bers can now behold their chapter without pride. "Blessed be the day of small things!" I hear that the session of 1886-7, has been as prosperous as the one which preceded it, and the reputation of the fraternity as great as ever—
So may it ever be!

Fraternity.

BY J. M. AYER, PSI.

Let us wear the Star and Crescent,
Clasped by the golden chain of love,
'Twill seal below a brotherhood,
Fraternity in Heaven above.

That Star which shown so long ago,
Shines brighter now than e'er before ;
The promised Star of Bethlehem
Redeemed the world from shore to shore.

This beacon light for Israel's Flock
Shines o'er the earth from north to south ;
The Star and Crescent together lock
The secrets of our mystic birth.

The "Promised Bow" of ancient times
Hangs now on our badge, a Crescent,
A semi-circle of hope and faith,
In our Order past and present.

Our *Quarterly* comes from Southern climes,
Bearing on its breast a fragrance sweet,
Of jessamines and climbing vines,
And a brother's love naught can defeat.

We welcome its coming with pleasure ;
Its every page is read with care ;

THE KAPPA SIGMA QUARTERLY.

All its members find a treasure
Of Love and Order cherished there.

Firm as the hills and high we stand,
As the mountain rock immovable;
Well versed we teach with sceptre grand,
All sciences commendable.

Our Jackson leading forth a host,
A brotherhood united and strong,
We'll follow with determined zeal,
And join the chorus with praise and song.

Personals.

CENTREVILLE, TENN., *March 11th, 1887.*

Editor Kappa Sigma Quarterly, Wytheville, Va.—

DEAR SIR :

If the following personals are not too late you can insert them in the next issue of the *Quarterly* :

Bro. Jasper A. Cragwall (Kappa), who graduated in the engineering department at Vanderbilt last year, is now on a line of the N. C. & St. L. R. R.

Bro. J. Harry Cate (Kappa), will after leaving Vanderbilt this fall, go into the business of manufacturing woolen goods at Rumsy, Ky.

Bro. Wm. G. Clagett, Jr., (Kappa), who was at Vanderbilt last session, is now teller of the First National Bank, of Centreville, Tenn.

Yours truly,

W. G. CLAGETT, JR., K. S.

*Arrangements For the Conclave—The Proper Steps
Are Being Taken—Read!*

HALL OF KAPPA CHAPTER.

NASHVILLE, March 15, 1887.

F. H. Terry, Wytheville, Va.—

DEAR BROTHER:

I have been instructed to notify you that the Convention will be held here, June 27 and 28, and, also, to give you our Committee of Arrangements, as follows, viz:

H. B. Buckner, Jr., Chairman, Edward E. Hardin, John R. Wilson, Owen H. Wilson, Charles B. Burke.

The brother selected by Kappa to deliver the address of welcome is Wm. S. H. Armistead of this city.

Kappa has elected the following delegates to represent her at the Convention, viz:

H. B. Buckner, Jr., Chairman, Elliot Buckner, Owen H. Wilson.

I hope this will be in time to appear in the April No. of the *Quarterly*, as desired. Please have all communications addressed: H. B. Buckner, Jr., Nashville, Tenn., so as to receive prompt attention.

Please express through the *Quarterly* Kappa's many thanks for the kindness the brothers have shown her in changing the place for the Convention to our city. We will try and show our appreciation of the honor at the Convention.

I am very sorry to have waited so long before giving you this information, but had to wait orders from Bro. Jackson.

Hoping that you may be as successful with this edition of the *Quarterly* as the last, I am,

Yours most fraternally,

H. B. BUCKNER, JR.

An Interesting Letter from the Lone Star State.

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AUSTIN, *January 23, 1887,*
Frank H. Terry,

DEAR BROTHER :

I beg leave to acknowledge the receipt of copies of *January Quarterly*, for which you have my thanks. I distributed them as requested, and forwarded by to-day's mail a few copies to Lane at Georgetown, and accompanied them with a letter urging him to the necessity of a chapter letter, and to get subscriptions from members.

He is an ardent worker, and has a good, chapter, judging from the few men I have seen.

Bro. Bondurant is completing his course in ancient languages at the University, and comes down on Friday night and remains over Saturday. He intends studying for the ministry. He is a regularly enrolled member of our chapter, and is an influential fellow.

I will see the boys at our next meeting and procure subscriptions for you. Our men are not wealthy, but love the fraternity, and I know they will give the small pittance to sustain our most estimable journal.

Kappa Sigma is not the largest fraternity now, but still the best, as we have lost a few men :—Bro. McBride withdrawing from the University, on account of ill health; Bros. Rowell and Clark have left the University, but are still in the city; Bro. Astin has been called home by the serious illness of his father, but will not leave us. This letter is not for publication, but merely a private letter as I now feel as if "Terry" is an old friend. *Such are the advantages of our glorious order ! Loved yet still unknown !*

There was, a while back, a break up in the Athenaeum society, in which all the Kappa Alpha's, except one, with-

drew, and great feeling resulted therefrom. The haughty Kappa Alphas, the "exclusives" as they call themselves, thought they had "played the smash," but 'tis the fortune of the Athenaeum to be bereft of them, and the fraternities represented in there, Kappa Sigma, Sigma Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Beta Theta Pi and Sigma Alpha Epsilon, all dwell in harmony, and I, therefore, cannot account for the failure of the Sigma Chi correspondent to mention us. It must have been an oversight. The Kappa Alpha correspondent writing to his quarterly speaks of his as the only respectable Greek here, and that all the other fraternities are "plebs."

The Phi Delta Theta correspondent very properly and cuttingly answered it in the last *Scroll*, and if you think it proper will mention it in my next letter and show them up to the world in their true colors. I fear I will be compelled to withdraw from the University, and if I do, you must always remember I am ready for duty's call, and if I can assist you in any way, call on me; but if I am so fortunate as to remain, I will keep you well posted as regards Tau. I cannot close without telling you how much pleasure it gives us all to peruse your well gotten up journal. It is an honor to us and you must be a "trump." (Excuse the expression, it is intended as a compliment).

I intend to write an article for the *Quarterly*, but it cannot be yet, for as I am secretary of the Athenaeum society, and am on the Magazine staff.

Excuse my boring you, but I can't help it.

Yours fraternally,

EDWARD BEE.

Alumni Letters.

 RICHMOND, VA., Feb. 3, 1887.

Dear Quarterly:

Since I have been traveling, I have learned more fully to appreciate the beauties and pleasures to be derived from our Kappa Sigma brotherhood, and I do rejoice in our noble order as I grasp the hand of a brother Kappa Sigma in true fellowship and faith. I am now traveling in North and South Carolina for a New York house, and I am trying, in my humble way, to do all I can for our beloved order, as I from time to time meet a brother. I know Bro. S. A. Jackson well, being thrown with him in New York, and to know him is to love him. I have already caught some of his Kappa Sigma fire and enthusiasm. He is a noble man, and quite an honor to our fraternity. Please send the *Quarterly* to the following parties, with bill, and they will settle for the same: E. T. White, Oxford, N. C.; H. E. Norris, Apex, Wake county, N. C. With best wishes, I remain

Yours fraternally,

H. M. BARROW.

 MARION, VA., Feb. 5th, 1887.

DEAR BRO. TERRY:

Enclosed please find postal note for one (\$1.50) dollar and fifty cents, the amount of my subscription to the *Quarterly*. I cordially agree with you that you cannot run the paper on "love and good wishes," therefore, I accompany my love and good wishes with the cash. But if the good wishes and love will help you any, you can issue a sight draft on me for any amount of love and wishes. I read the last issue with the greatest pleasure and I hope that I am the last subscriber to pay up.

Sincerely your friend and bro.,

CHAS. RICHARDSON,
Valley View, Va.

*Reflections on Seeing a Coffin Lid Used as
a Banqueting Board.*

BY W. H. R., IN THE SIGMA CHI.

The chapter to which I belouged, when I was in college, had the usual machinery of the initiation room; among other things a peculiarly shaped oblong box,—a piece of furniture not wanted but finally used by all mortal men. With the lid of the box we were in the habit of improvising a table by resting its ends on small stands, and from this sombre board we partook of the most enjoyable good cheer. The incongruity of the scene, the striking contrast between the grim character of the board and the gaiety of the boys who ate from it, impressed itself on my mind and occasioned the following lines:

What a fearful thing is a coffin lid,
It fills our hearts with a shivering dread
To think of the awesome thing it has hid,—
The pale, cold face of the voiceless dead.

Symbol of death with suggestions thou'rt rife,
Thou casteth a shadow that startles the brave;
Thou makest us think on the briefness of life,
The swiftness with which we approach to the grave.

But such thoughts away,—we are young and gay,
The rich draughts of life we drink at each breath,
We're not ready yet for the close of the play,
Or to join the mad crowd in the dances of death.

Thou speakest of death? No 'tis not the truth!
We read in thy shape no lessons of gloom,
But a silent command to rejoice in our youth,
And do well our part 'ere we come to the tomb.

So rough old board with thy uncanny shape
To-night thy grim form hath no sadness for me,
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And thou art a board for festivity.

Here gather the boys that we love so well,
They have manly hearts that beat strong and true;
When we think of the future,—Ah, who can tell
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May we be good men, grand, upright and pure—
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With a heart full warm, and a faith that is sure,
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Chapter Letters.

TAU CHAPTER.

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For the commencement exercises in June, Bro. Stoneham is Grand Marshall, and Bro. Bee, Secretary of the joint celebration of the literary exercises of the two societies.

The fraternities represented here are—Sigma Chi, Beta Theta Pi, Kappa Alpha, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Nu, Phi Delta Theta and Kappa Sigma.

Bro. Guold (Z), of Bryan, has been recently married to Miss Rosa Adam of that place. Tau wishes him *bon voyage*.

The last number of the Beta Theta Pi organ contained a letter from their chapter here which spoke in very discourteous terms of us. This attack was unprovoked and uninvited, as we have always been courteous to Beta Theta Pi, and hope to continue so. The letter was not the sentiment of their chapter, for we have received an apology from them, which they intend to make public, and they say it was the production of their corresponding secretary and was not sanctioned by the chapter. The article is unjust, unprovoked, and untruthful. Such articles instead of hurting the fraternity assailed, reflect on the fraternity that writes them.

With best wishes from Tau for the continued prosperity of the *Quarterly*, I remain,

Yours fraternally,
EDWARD BEE.

ZETA CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF VA., *March 26th, 1887.*

Kappa Sigma Quarterly:

Owing to some misunderstanding as to who should write this letter, I find at this late hour that no one has, so I take pleasure in appearing before the Greek World again in the capacity of correspondent for Zeta, and take *greater*, yes, far greater, pleasure in reporting her to be in good condition, and ever on the alert to promote the best

interest of our grand fraternity. Since my last writing, the following "goats" have been brought within the fold, and are now nurtured by the tender care of Zeta:

Bros. Chas. H. Eberly, Fort Smith, Ark.; James B. Gibson, Rienzi, Miss., and C. Clayton Wilson, Harrisburg, N. C. We gladly recognize them as ours, and take great pleasure in introducing them to all the chapters, as good and worthy Kappa Sigmas.

Bro. Robt. M. Copenhaver, (O.) reached us in good order a few days ago. "Cope" is a good fellow and an earnest Kappa Sigma. He is a graduate of Emory & Henry College (class '84), and has been using his knowledge there obtained in "teaching the young idea how to shoot." We are glad to have him with us.

Our number this year is somewhat larger than it has been for several years, hence we note with pride our increase. Our roll bears the names of twelve good, hearty Kappa Sigmas.

Bros. Humphreys and Eberly, of Fort Smith, Ark., were called home very suddenly last week on account of a sudden "boom" in property in that place. While we with humble heads give them up, yet we are glad in our hearts that they have been so fortunate.

Zeta acknowledges the receipt of a communication from Bro. Mason (Psi), and we are glad to hear they are doing so well, especially as they are so young in the cause. We note with a great degree of pride the condition of a great number of the chapters in the last *Quarterly*. Chi seems to be endowed with an unusual amount of *grit*. We hope their faintest expectations will be realized, and we have no doubt as to success, for when our men *work*, they generally accomplish it.

Zeta would like to have a private letter from Omicron, telling all about her condition and number, and especially as to how many we can count upon for next year. We feel, *if possible*, more interest in Omicron than any other chapter, as she sends us more men. We must compliment

her correspondent, in the last issue of the *Quarterly*, upon his ease and tact for good composition.

In the July issue "let's" have a full report from all the chapters, giving the number upon the roll of each.

Again, begging pardon for the delay, and a promise to do better in the future, and with the best wishes to you all, your success is our success, ours, yours,

I am bound in the faith of Kappa Sigma,
VIRGINIUS W. HARRISON.

PI CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF WEST VIRGINIA,

MORGANTOWN, *March 2nd, 1887.*

It again becomes my pleasant duty to write another letter to the *Quarterly*, and this time it gives me more pleasure than usual, for within the past two weeks we have taken in two new brothers: W. R. Davis, of Piedmont, W. Va., and J. S. Henshaw, of Martinsburg, W. Va. They are both true and tried men, and have proven themselves worthy to be initiated into the grandest of all Greek Letter fraternities—Kappa Sigma.

We have heard that every quarter of the Kappa Sigma horizon is aglow, and with such good news as that ringing in our ears, we have gone to work with renewed energy to keep up the only chapter Kappa Sigma has in this State, and if possible to make it one of the largest.

To-day one year ago, Pi was re-organized, and considering the short time she has been in existence, she has shown herself to be one of Kappa Sigma's best chapters. She has carried off over three-fourths of all the honors of the W. Va., University, and will continue to do so in the future. Her treasury is in a fair financial condition and is still getting better.

Owing to the fact that we are having our examinations, and that a certain amount of "cramming" is necessary to

"get through," it will be impossible to send in a longer letter this time.

W. P. HENSHAW,
Correspondent.

LAMBDA CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE,
KNOXVILLE, TENN., *Feby. 28th, '87*

Dear Editor:—

As the *Quarterly* has not had a letter from Lambda for some time, I will now attempt to give you an idea of what we are doing, without going through the formality of making an excuse for not having a letter in each number of the *Quarterly*.

In September last, when school opened, Lambda assembled with but five members. At that time each and every one of us, as loyal Kappa Sigmas, realized the great duty which had devolved upon us. This duty was to make a thorough investigation of the characters of the young men who had come to be our daily associates, and to see whether or not any of them were worthy to enter the "Twelfth Gate."

After performing this duty, and guarding well our actions, we have initiated into the Kappa Sigma fraternity, five excellent men, as follows: C. N. Julian, of Lenoiss, Tenn.; J. M. Bowman, of Grassland, Tenn.; C. K. Murphy, of Morristown, Tenn.; H. B. Wetzell, Jr., of Knoxville, Tenn., and R. A. Hicks, Trenton, Tenn. All of these brothers have made worthy records for themselves, and, no doubt, will add honor and strength to our fraternity.

Brothers Julian and Bowman are editors-in-chief of the two college papers that are published here by the two literary societies. Brother Wetzell is an assistant editor, and Brother Murphy has just received an appointment to the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md.

Our members never fail to reap their share of the honors of the literary societies. Brother J. M. McCallie and your correspondent have each been president of their respective literary societies. McCallie won the Declaimer's Medal last year and has been editor-in-chief of the monthly *Crescent*.

Your correspondent has been selected by his society to represent it at the State Oratorical Contest, which takes place in Nashville on the first Friday night in May, and Brother Kirby is now president of his society.

Lambda, also, holds her own in the honors conferred by the University. Brother McCallie is Captain and Leader of the band.

Your correspondent is Captain of Company "C." Bro. Bowman is 1st Lieut., of Company "C.," and Bro. Julian of Company "A," and Brother Durrett is Sergeant of Company "D."

I will now give some account of our older members, who have severed their connection with the University.—Bro. S. G. Heiskell is one of the first lawyers of this city, and was the last Democratic candidate for Congress. Bros. L. C. Carter, Price Thomas, W. I. Thomas and Charles Walker are assistant professors in this institution. Bro. T. P. Thomas is a professor in the city schools, and Bro. W. A. Miller holds a place in the Knoxville Business College.

Bro. J. N. Bogart is now at the Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, taking a course in modern languages. He is one of Lambda's most loyal members, and we predict a great future for him. Brothers F. T. Collins, D. L. Gillespie and A. D. Gibson have just finished a course at Eastman's Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. The two first carried off the first and second honors respectively.

I suppose it will be well enough to say something about our rival fraternities, namely:—the Kappa Alpha and Pi Kappa Alpha. The latter entered the U. T., this year with four or five members, two of whom have since left

school. It will hardly survive another year. The Kappa Alphas have only taken in one new man this year, and have but five members in all.

Lambda has selected Brothers C. N. Julian, J. M. Bowman, and J. Kirby to represent her at the Grand Convention to be held in Nashville, June 27th, 28th. If the time is convenient, several more of us may be there.

My epistle is growing unduly long, so I will close, with best wishes for the *Quarterly*, I am,

Yours fraternally,

J. D. CASSELBERRY.

GAMMA CHAPTER.

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY,

BATON ROUGE, LA., *March 14, '87.*

Dear Quarterly:

It becomes the pleasant duty of the writer, as correspondent of Gamma chapter, to address her first chapter letter. We first desire to tender our thanks to our kind and courteous sister chapter, Epsilon, for her much appreciated assistance in aiding us in becoming members of our noble order. Gamma, though she has but lately sprung into existence, and her path is thickly strewn with thorns, yet, she may be reported as doing well. Our prospect is not as encouraging as we might desire, as we have two fraternities to contend with. However, we shall go to work like hopeful servants, having in view the success of our glorious fraternity.

Kappa Sigma Kappa and Kappa Alpha have chapters at this institution. The former having lately disbanded, leaves us the latter, a numerically strong rival.—But, we hope that the rivalry will be of a *nature equally friendly* as that which existed between the Kappa Alpha and her former rival.

We held our first regular meeting last night, in the hall assigned us by the college authorities. Our hall is as

good as can be desired, and we soon expect to make it quite comfortable by the addition of the necessary furniture.

Our roll, for the present, consists of the following: H. V. Kirkland, E. D. Favrot, R. O. Young, F. T. Guilbean, C. M. Davis, W. D. Collins and A. J. Price, and, we hope, to increase it by two before long, which will constitute our chapter for this session. Our number is small, but yet, we shall nerve ourselves for action, and hope, at last, to unfurl our colors in defiance of our enemies, and swear, come what will, come what may, to stand to our cause, at all times, in all places, and under all circumstances.

Gamma sends her best wishes to all her sister chapters.

Yours in K. S. bonds,

A. J. P., *Correspondent*,

CHI CHAPTER.

PURDUE UNIVERSITY,

LAFAYETTE, IND., *March 3, '87.*

It seems but a short time since we were able to say, through the pages of the *Quarterly*, that Chi was at last upon her feet, but, unlike the "wicked and slothful servant," we did not bury the opportunity which thus presented itself. Since our last letter to the *Quarterly*, Chi has been steadily pursuing the path of duty, and "mustering in" true men as Kappa Sigmas.

Mr. Olds, of Ft. Wane, Ind., and Mr. Ridgely, of Indianapolis, Ind., have swelled our number to nine, and in them we have two loyal members to share the benefits and further the cause of our fraternity. But while our success is encouraging, we must also express our regrets at losing two valuable members. One permanently, and the other until next year. Brother Ruffner, W. G. P., one of our most popular members, and a very earnest worker, left school some weeks ago for his home in Charleston, West

Va., where he goes into business. The occasion of his departure was made pleasant in the way of a banquet, given in his honor by the chapter, which was a source of pleasure to all. Brother Ridgely is rendering service in one of the largest chemical houses in the West, and as he will be from us for several months, we console ourselves with the fact that he will return next year. Brother Boyd, of last year, writes to us that he is in Iowa engineering and is rapidly rising in his profession.

We are well represented in the literary societies, as each member has the honor of an office. Brothers Thayer and Middleton were elected to speak at the Carlyle Annual entertainment, which comes off next term, and Brother Lewis will declaim for the Irving.

Chi is in a most flourishing condition, and the meetings, which we hold once a week, are attended by all with an interest which never fails to make them a success. Our prospects for the future are very flattering. We expect soon to be able to give to the readers of the *Quarterly* the names of two others as Kappa Sigmas, and our efforts in that direction will not cease until material is lacking. The spring term of our college generally brings many new men, and we hope to find among them some that we would be glad to welcome in our chapter.

While it is yet a little early to speak of next year, it might not be amiss to say, that all our present members intend to return next fall, and we will thus be able to present a very creditable chapter roll. But even while a good member is desirable, and a thing to be proud of, we are much prouder of the quality of our men, and that they are not taken to "fill up." Some may think it strange that as there are only two fraternities represented here, we have not a larger membership, but we can only say to them that our University is not like those in the East and South, and that we are, in reality, not too careful. There is some talk, however, that a new fraternity will blossom here in the spring, but whether there is any thing in it, only a product of "they say," the future will

reveal. We will welcome any other fraternity here, and wish it success, as a sharp competition is desirable, and will necessitate more energetic work.

Hoping that the next issue of the *Quarterly* will prove as interesting as the last, we will patiently await its appearance.

Fraternally yours,

CHAS. MOCK, JR.

RHO CHAPTER.

N. G. A. COLLEGE,

DAHLONEGA, GA., *March 8, '87.*

Dear Editor :

The wheel of time is revolving on, and it becomes my pleasant duty to inform you what the Kappa Sigmas are doing.

Since our last letter, Bros. Craig and Sheldon have been promoted to 1st Lieutenants of Companies A. and B.

We have not taken in any more new members. We have always endeavored, and I am happy to say, have succeeded, in adding to our role, men who are worthy of bearing the royal name of Kappa Sigma. We had rather have a few but select men, than be great in number, with stray sheep among the flock.

We were well represented in our fall term debate by Capt. Phillips and Lieut. Sheldon.—And as a matter of fact, we always share our part of the honors on all such occasions.

A few nights since, Bro. T. M. Stribling was elected one of our spring term debators ; Bro. E. C. Cartledge, anniversary, and Lieut. Sheldon, one of the champion debators.

On the 19th of Feb., was witnessed the planting of the class tree, by the class of '87. Lieut. Craig had the honor of being prophet on that occasion.

Of the four seniors, three are Kappa Sigmas.

Capt. Phillips and Lieut. Craig were elected memorial orators.

A mistake was made in our last letter, about the address of Lieut. Craig. It is not Westminster, but Wall-halla, S. C.

With greetings to all our brothers, I am,

Yours fraternally,

D. S. CRAIG, *Correspondent.*

UPSILON CHAPTER.

HAMPDEN SIDNEY COLLEGE, VA., *March 7th, '87.*

The editors of fraternity magazines seem to be insatiable demons. We thought at the beginning of this session that we would satisfy the Ed. of the *Quarterly* and that he would let us off from writing so many chapter letters, and with this end in view, we wrote him a long letter, giving him all the news which had been circulating around the chapter for years past and all that will circulate for years to come. Bundling this up we sent it off with the confident assurance that such a long letter would suffice for at least one year. Time passed, however, and there came a notice that another letter was expected of us within a few days at the longest. What were we to do? All the news had been sent on in the other letter, and, unless we were allowed to make some more news, the letter would be a failure. We concluded to try another tack this time, so we wrote a very short, dry uninteresting letter, and sent it to the *Quarterly*. We thought that this time every one would see that there was nothing to write about and we would be left in peace, but we are again called upon to write a letter, and with this purpose we sit down to write news, to make something from nothing.

Initiates are not in season now, nor will we make any moves in that line until September, when we will be prepared to feast upon a bountiful harvest of "barbarians." Bro. J. M. Allison did not return to the fold after the

Christmas holidays. He will, however, be prepared to receive, in state, any wandering Kappa Sigmas at his home in Wytheville, Va. One of the brothers was an orator at the Intermediate Celebration held in the College chapel in February. He has been elected as one of the representatives of his society at the Commencement exercises in June.

We received a beautiful Christmas gift from one of our young lady friends in Marion, Virginia, in the shape of a well executed life-size crayon portrait of the late Dr. William Arnold of Zeta. Enclosed in an appropriate frame, it hangs in our hall a memorial of the zeal of Dr. Arnold and token of the friendship of the giver.

HURT.

PHI CHAPTER.

SOUTH-WESTERN PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY,
CLARKSVILLE, TENN., *March 4th, 1887.*

Dear Editor :—

I received a letter from Bro. Hurt yesterday, saying that you wished all chapter letters sent in as soon as possible. I was just thinking of writing when I received the letter, but I have very little to say, as fraternity matters have been rather quiet here since our last letter, only one man having been initiated into the Greek World. Although we have no new names to add to our already honored list, we have our eyes on one or two men, who we may "pull" before the session is over. Even if we do not increase our number, we have reason to be proud of the work we have done since last September, for we have placed our chapter on a solid basis and will reap our share of Commencement honors in June. Washington's birthday was celebrated at the University by a contest in declamation and out of the eight contestants, who were selected by competition, Kappa Sigma had two, more than any other fraternity. We are very much in favor of

having the Conclave in Nashville, and hope Kappa chapter has been successful in having the place of meeting changed to that city ; but whether we meet in Nashville or Chattanooga, Phi will be well represented. Bro. E. T. Hollins, a stanch Kappa Sigma, and to whom Phi owes much of her success, will be our representative.

Yours fraternally,

F. E. SNOWDEN.

KAPPA CHAPTER.

NASHVILLE, TENN., *March 6th, 1887.*

Ed. of Quarterly :—

Again it is my pleasant duty to write Kappa's chapter letter.

Kappa has been progressing slowly since our last letter, and we have had only two additions to our chapter roll : Bro. Moore was initiated in Jan., and Bro. Thompson, (O.) entered the University at the beginning of the second term.

Again, however, we have suffered the loss of six members : four on account of the closing of the pharmacy and medical depts., and two having obtained positions in engineering on new railroads.

Acting on the suggestion made in the *Quarterly* for Jan., we have appointed our representatives to the Convention. Bro. W. H. S. Armistead was elected with Bro. E. E. Hardin as alternate, yet, it is more than likely that several of our members will attend.

The fraternities, seven in number, at Vanderbilt are going to publish an annual, which is to be out about June 1st. Each fraternity is represented by editors, Bros. Hicks (K.) and Burke (D.) are our representatives.

They hope to make it both worthy of the fraternities and of the University. We were glad to learn through Bro. Staudifer (E.) of the initiation of Bro. Price, and that G. is now in a working condition.

We have been honored lately by visits from Bros. Lynn and Coyle of (O.), and of Bro. Thomas of (N.), who is now in the city. We are always glad to see our brothers and will treat them always as best we can.

With Kappa greetings to all Kappa Sigmas,
Fraternally yours,

KAPPA.

PERSONALS.

Bro. W. C. Philips is now connected with the house of J. H. Empson—fine confections, 134 W. 4th st., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Bro. Frank Goodman, Lambda, is the proud father of a fine boy.

Bro. H. N. McTyiere, Jr., (K.) was married last month to Mrs. R. W. Brown, of Nashville.

Bro. H. B. Buckner, Omega, is quite sick, and has been confined to his room for nearly a week.

PSI CHAPTER.

MAINE STATE COLLEGE,

ORONO, MAINE, Feb. 25, 1887.

Bro. Terry :—

Once again I hear your call for some record of Psi as regards her present and future prosperity.

I am not the regular correspondent, as you will, no doubt, judge from the poor quality of the letter.—But Bro. Sargent has left us and someone must act in his stead, and as I wish to see Psi numbered among the foremost chapters, and as position is judged from reports read in regard to a chapter, I will take the liberty to give you a brief sketch of our present standing and hopes for the future.

The loss of Bro. Sargent brings our chapter down to eleven active members, but as we expect to initiate two

or three men this term, we shall close the year with at least thirteen members. By the graduation of '87, we lose only two men : Bros. Mason and McNalley, which will not make much odds, for with some hard work the first of next term we shall, no doubt, be able to bring up and keep our membership at fifteen, which, for the size of this institution, is a safe number, with a possibility of increasing the number to eighteen or twenty.

We have our rooms, in one of the college buildings, very well furnished, but intend to improve them considerably before Commencement. All our new members of last fall come fully up to the standard necessary to become a member of Psi, and with the addition of two or three more this term, we shall begin next year with a good representation, and if they do their duty fully, the chapter will be on better footing than ever—both financially and otherwise.

Bros. Mason and McNalley have Commencement parts, and in the class day exercises, Mason has the prophecy—McNally the history of our class. Thus, you see, in '87 Kappa Sigma holds her own, while in the Junior and Sopomore exercises, I think we will have our full representation.

In the ball team for this spring, we shall have three members sure, as we have had for two years, and we have a very fine showing for two more, making a total of five out of nine men. In the military department, we have one corporal, Bro. Vickery; one sergeant, Bro. Miller; one lieutenant, Bro. McNalley. It was only one year last month since we received our charter, and one year this month since we began our work under the banner and in the interest of Kappa Sigma. Two more years of prosperity like the last, will place us undoubtedly at the head of the list of fraternities here. We would be very well pleased at any time to welcome to our midst any brother Kaps., who may stray into this section of the country.

We are so far from any sister chapter that we feel as though we were alone in a wilderness, but the love we

have for Kappa Sigma keeps us alive and working both for our own interest and for the fostering of what is right, true and noble in the hearts and minds of our members.

Wishing the *Quarterly* much success, you, much joy and happiness, and all Kappa Sigmas, prosperity, I am,

Fraternally yours,

H. A. McNALLEY.

PERSONALS.

Bro. Sargent has left college for good. He expects soon to engage in business.

Bro. McNalley expects to enter the Signal Service in July.

Bro. Ruth will not return to college—but expects to go West in the spring. He will engage in the engineering business in Washington Territory.

Bro. Tripp has been teaching this winter in Albion, Me.

Bro. Collins is in Ft. Fairfield, Me., instead of Mo., and instead of being in the mercantile business, he is teaching.

Bro. Allie Marsh is attending the Boston School of Pharmacy.

Bro. Sims, when last heard from, was in Milton Mills, N. H.

Bro. Blagden has been teaching this winter, but at present is enjoying a vacation at his home in Camel.

Bros. Blarkington, Jones and Andrews passed this winter at their homes in Rockland, Me., where Bro. Blarkington attended the Commercial College.

OMEGA CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH,

SEWANEE, TENN., *March 3, '87.*

Dear Editor:—

At the close of last term, we initiated three very worthy

men, as follows :—R. S. Thompson, of Nashville, Tenn.; R. E. L. Bond, Tennessee, and George Mitcalfe, of Greenville, Miss. We now have eleven names on our roll, and we will start this year's work with vim, so we will be bound to succeed. Omega has been very unfortunate in the loss of some of her men who will not return for the next term, which commences March 17th. Before this year is over, we hope to erect a handsome chapter house, which, at present, we are lacking. In concluding, I will add that Omega chapter is very anxious that the Grand Convention be held in Nashville, instead of in Chattanooga. We have a chapter in Nashville, and I know Kappa will gladly welcome all Kappa Sigmas to the city. Omega sends greeting to all "within the Twelfth Gate."

Yours fraternally,

CHAS. G. COYLE, *Correspondent.*

OMICRON CHAPTER.

EMORY, VA., *March 3, 1887.*

Mr Editor :

We promised you in our last letter that we would give a better report of ourselves the next time you heard from us, and Omicron never intentionally tells a falsehood. We have been working, and success has crowned our endeavors. We regret exceedingly that we cannot give, for publication, the names of the five members that have recently been added to our number. A part of this number had been invited to join another fraternity at this college, but we are proud to say that every one of them are men of *good judgment*, and, therefore, they declined and joined Kappa Sigma. Our pen cannot tell of their good qualities; their morals; their mental capacity, and their physical appearance, etc., but let us say in these few words, viz: they are gentlemen whom all admire and respect; they are of the best families of their country, and by their actions show plainly

their intention to always work to the promotion of our noble fraternity. We can, now, boast of the *ornaments* and the *being* of this college, and our future never was brighter than it is to-day. So popular is our chapter, that others have signified their desire to join us, but, of course, they know not the object of a fraternity. There are some yet remaining that we keep an eye on, and should they prove to be what we think they are, our ready hands and willing hearts will immediately become instrumental for the purpose of further addition. Our every action is a careful one, therefore our every deed is an admirable one. We are often honored by the visits of Bros. Hurt, Carson, Preston and Kelly. Bro. Hurt is studying law and making rapid progress. Bro. Carson is an efficient and popular salesman with a well known business house of Abingdon. Bro. Preston has just returned from a dental college and is now ready to commence the practice of his profession.

Bro. Kelly, we understand, is doing well in his study of the law, and judging from his standing here in all of his undertakings of last year, we predict that he will make one of the most brilliant and popular lawyers that it may be the honor of South Western Virginia to afford. We might mention a score of others that are doing well in their various pursuits in life, but we will mention no more this time.

Omicron will continue to do as she has done in the past—select men of honor, and look with admiration upon their efforts to gain distinction and renown.

“UNCLE.”

IOTA CHAPTER.

SOUTH-WESTERN UNIVERSITY,

GEORGETOWN, TEXAS.

It affords me great pleasure to write not only my first, but the first letter of Iota chapter to the *Quarterly*. That this chapter first saw the light about the middle of last

September, may be of no interest to some Greeks—but that it will broaden the sympathies of true Athenians—particularly those who have traveled westward and passed the “Twelfth Gate,” I have no doubt. We may pronounce our Greek with a modern Italian accent, but our chirography is Phœnician. Our little colony has been planted too far off to see a signal from the acropolis, but not so far that we cannot be reached by a herald. Let him only present his caduceus and we obey most loyally. To that excellent scholar and zealous Kappa Sigma, Prof. Bondurant, we are indebted for our first start and we cannot express too highly our appreciation of his services. Hardly had we completed our citadel and begun on the outworks than we were attacked by our enemies—the Turks. The attack was repulsed, but it came near proving fatal, as those rascally Turks approached us in the garb of Thessalonica—as the faculty. The harder we fought for our rights and our all, the more determined they seemed, but our colors still float from the walls. We don’t believe the faculty at the *University* could be so narrow-minded as to oppose one of the branches they claim to encourage. We knew very well they could not be Thessalonicans, for they were formerly our friends, but soon discovered Saracens in disguise. Three semi-Greek settlements had been effected before we came here, and these same Saracens had sent a renegade Greek to persuade them to return, the one to Epirus, one to Achia and the other to Messenia. But now that another family had come from Attica! their rage knew no bounds! Their disguise is thrown off and the cimetar jumps from the scabbard! But are we not sons of Hellas? They know the justice of our cause and dare not fight us fair! What plan, then, will they adopt? Ah! they do not stand like men! They take a mean advantage for fear of Spartan valor! To come down to plainer speech, they say :

“ You shall not speak in public on the stage,
Nor sport the Marshal’s sash and cane,
Nor shall those think a thought nor read a page
That we do not prescribe—’twould be insane.”

Just so. It were a pity all men could not think alike and do alike in this institution. We are nine in number, and not far in the future, when the faculty open their eyes to their interest, and permits us to meet as our friends do, in Eastern universities, will our number run up just as large as we wish it to be. There are, now, about three hundred male matriculates in the South Western University proper, and an "Annex" for young ladies, and about one hundred and fifty of these fair creatures may be seen within our walls. This University is the Methodist headquarters for the State of Texas, and whilst the prospects are undoubtedly bright, they will be brighter still, if, instead of fighting, they befriend the Greek societies. We are not so narrow-minded and selfish as to wish it for ourselves alone, but for any good Greeks. We have been holding weekly meetings and are working, we hope, in a proper manner, and hope no brother will pass this way without knocking at our wicket. We are indebted to our sister, Tau, for good advice.

Yours fraternally,

LESBOS.

EPSILON CHAPTER.

CENTENARY COLLEGE,

JACKSON, LA., *March 1st, 1887.*

Editor Quarterly:

For the first and last time I have the pleasure of reporting the progress of our beloved chapter, and it is with a feeling of pride that I note the advancement which Epsilon has made. Though four of our number finish school this session, Epsilon will remain in safe hands, and there is no fear that under their guidance she will fulfil the high expectations which we entertain for her. Since the last edition of the *Quarterly*, we have not been idle, but have initiated two new men, and will initiate one more at our next meeting. We already possess a very neat hall,

but as we rent our rooms, we do not feel at all permanent, so we have secured from the faculty a large and convenient room in the centre building of the college. We have made arrangements for repairing the room, and in a short while will have a beautiful hall, one that we will feel proud of. We will gradually add improvement, and ere long we hope to have as nice a chapter hall as any of our sister chapters. We received the charter for Gamma some time since, and at once wrote to the organization at Baton Rouge to send up a representative to be initiated. Two weeks ago, Mr. Price came up, whom we initiated in "due form." We gave him all the instruction in our power, and as several of our brothers correspond with him, he has received all the information that we are able to bestow. They have already effected an organization, and Gamma will, doubtless, have a letter in the next *Quarterly*. The only rival fraternity at the University of Louisiana is the Kappa Alpha, and we feel confident that the opposition with which the Star and Crescent will meet, will only cause it to shine more brilliantly. Brother Price is a fine, manly looking fellow, and at once won a place in the hearts of all our brothers. Brothers Ragan and Irwin, who visited Baton Rouge, state that the others are equally worthy to bear the name of Kappa Sigma. Gamma will be a credit to the fraternity, and Epsilon is exceedingly proud of her offspring.

With best wishes to all Kappa Sigmas, I am,

Yours fraternally,

OSCAR K. ANDREWS, *Correspondent*.

LATER.

It will be observed that the following letter came to hand after the above was received—[TERRY, ED.]

JACKSON, LA., *March 14, 1887.*

F. H. Terry, Editor Kappa Sigma Quarterly.

DEAR BRO:—We were unable to inform you, in our chapter letter to the *Quarterly*, who would represent us at

the coming Conclave. Since then, Bro. Thomas Ragan, the "Henry Clay" of Epsilon, has been elected, and we feel fully satisfied that he will do all in his power to advance the interest of the order. Bro. E. L. Irwin finished his first course of lectures in N. O. Medical College last week, and has accepted a position in the Charity Hospital at Shreveport, La., where he will stay two years, will then return to New Orleans and complete his course. Bro. R. R. Jones will receive his diploma in Medicine this month. We welcomed into our "Mystic Bonds," at our last meeting, Bro. Chas. Babington. He is a capital fellow and is well deserving of the name of Kappa Sigma.

Epsilon sends greeting to all within the "Twelfth Gate."

Yours fraternally,

M. SAM. STANDIFER, G. S. of E.

Editorials.

DELEGATES TO THE CONVENTION.

In our last issue we suggested to the chapters that it was advisable and necessary to meet at the earliest moment and appoint delegates and alternates to the Convention; and requested their correspondents to furnish us with a complete list of them for publication in this issue of the *Quarterly*. Judging from the number that complied with the latter request, we conclude that very few heeded our advice, which we deplore greatly. We thought and still think, that it was timely, and the good of all demanded its recognition. It is not too late, yet, to *appoint* the delegate and alternates, so let the chapters convene and elect them *at once*! Elect only those who will attend! This is no time to bestow honors and trusts on those who will not appreciate them!

ENCOURAGEMENT.

A brother, who resides at Marion, Va., was initiated at Omicron, writes us under date, Jan. 28. "I received the last *Quarterly* (Jan. No.) It has always been a great source of pleasure to me, and the last issue was the best one, in my opinion, that has been published." This is saying a great deal for the last *Quarterly*. Bro.——— adds: "Am rejoiced at Zeta's success. Hope to join her next Oct. Bro. R. M. Copenhaver, of Marion, will go to the University of Va., in about three weeks. He is a self-made man; but a good man. His means are limited, but he appreciates the importance of an education and means to have it. His family is good and he will not find his superior at Charlottesville or anywhere else."

PERSONAL.

Wm. M. Gillespie (O) has been elected to deliver the oration, usually called the "Junior Response," in the Calhopian society, at the coming Commencement, at Emory and Henry College, Va. The occasion will be Emory's Semi-Centennial, and the position is one of special honor.

A COMPLIMENT FROM THE FAR WEST.

The following explains itself:

WAHOO, NEB., Feb. 25, 1887.

Mr. Ed:—

Will you please send me a July copy (1886) of your society periodical, that contains the eulogy on Jefferson Davis. I have heard it commented on so much as a type of true eloquence. Please mark the price on it, and I'll remit.

M. E. THRAILKILL,

Superintendent of City Schools.

The article referred to was an extract from a speech delivered by Bro. Duncan Martin, Phi chapter, in Nashville, Tenn.

A WISE SUGGESTION.

A Lambda brother, who is taking a special course at Johns Hopkin's University, Md., writes us:

"I wish to make a suggestion, which, if carried out, might increase the circulation of the *Quarterly*. I am sure there must be many alumni members of the different chapters, who are far away from their chapters and do not so much as know of the publication of our *Quarterly*. They would, no doubt, be delighted to receive it. Now, if each chapter would inform each alumni member of the existence of the *Quarterly*, I believe they would confer a

favor on them, and at the same time increase the usefulness of the paper. It may be that the suggestion has already been made, but I have not noticed it. At least, I shall attempt to find out the whereabouts of all of Lambda's members and urge them to subscribe.

We value our brother's efforts to further the *Quarterly's* interest and influence, and we trust that other active members of the chapters will exhibit a like interest. Please remember, that we cannot fight our cause alone. All we ask is *partial* assistance. Give it to us, and we guarantee victory.

**"PERSONS WHO LIVE IN GLASS HOUSES SHOULD
NOT THROW STONES."**

In the March No. of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon *Record* was a brief review of one of the back issues of the *Quarterly*, which said: "It has two or three statements concerning S. A. E., that are false, but as they do not effect our fraternity in any way, we will not go into detail." Of course the *Record* refers to the "statements" of some correspondent, and not to any editorial or other article for which we are responsible. The *Record* adds:

"We think Kappa Sigma could very greatly improve the appearance of their journal if they had better facilities for printing. But as it is done in a little town of about one thousand inhabitants, and on the press of a country job office, we cannot, of course, expect better."

"Our valued exchange" errs, both in regard to information, concerning the size of Wytheville, where the *Quarterly* lives, and judgment as to good job printing, if we, though not practical printers, know anything of the art. In brief—the printer of the *Quarterly* is rated, by the authorities on such work, as one of the *best* in this country. He is even so classed by the English printing journals. And Wytheville is not a "town of about one thousand inhabitants," but of three!—with many advantages and inducements of which Atlanta, where the *Record*

"hangs out," would be proud. Brother, come up to the "Mountain City" and we will convince you that the *Quarterly* is in the Berne of America.

We endorse the suggestion of Zeta's correspondent to the effect that the correspondents of the chapters have a full report of their respective chapter rolls in the July issue of the *Quarterly*. We hope none will overlook this.

The July No. of the *Quarterly* will be sent to the *active* members of the fraternity at their chapters as usual, unless otherwise ordered. If you change your address by that time, to insure you receiving your *Quarterly*, you must notify us accordingly. We cannot "keep up with you" unless you do!

In order to get the proceedings of the approaching Conclave, at Nashville, Tenn., June 27th, 28th, in the July No., we may be as late as the 10th of the month "coming out." But we shall expect *all* articles for that issue by June 15th. Please remember this!

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The Seventh Conclave of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

BOLOGNA.—NASHVILLE, TENN., *June, 27, 28, 1887.*

This the 478th year of the order.—Within the "Twelfth Gate," the Grand Conclave assembled, our most Worshipful Brother Worthy Grand Master Stephen Alonzo Jackson, presiding—Our most Worshipful brothers, the Worthy Grand Procurator, Worthy Grand Treasurer, Worthy Grand Master of Ceremonies, Worthy Grand Scribe being summoned and not appearing, the Worthy Grand Master then did appoint *pro tempore* to fill these offices consecutively our brothers, M. A. Jacobs, of Zeta chapter; Thos. Reagan, of Epsilon chapter; Henry Bruce Buckner, Jr., of Kappa chapter. and Duncan Martin, of Phi chapter. The W. G. M., also appointed Bro. Roedon Hicks, of Kappa chapter, to act as Grand Guard.

Upon the Committee of Credentials were appointed Bros. J. W. Crump and Duncan Martin, acting W. G. S., who reported the following chapters represented and in the following manner, also, the following individual alumni members, who are entitled to a ballot:—

Alpha chapter, by proxy,	Duncan Martin.
Beta chapter,	_____
Gamma chapter, by proxy	Thos. Reagan.
Delta	_____
Epsilon	Thos. Reagan.
Zeta,	M. A. Jacobs.
Eta,	_____
Theta,	_____
Iota,	_____

Kappa,.....	O. H. Wilson and Elliott Buckner.
Lambda chapter,.....	C. N. Julian and J. M. Bowman.
Mu chapter,	_____
Nu chapter,	_____
Xi chapter,	_____
Omicron chapter,	T. S. Hamilton.
Pi chapter,	_____
Rho chapter, by proxy,	Duncan Martin.
Sigma chapter,	_____
Tau chapter,	_____
Upsilon chapter, by proxy,	S. A. Jackson.
Phi chapter,	E. T. Hollins and F. D. Daniel.
Chi chapter,	_____
Psi chapter,	_____
Omega chapter,	J. W. Crump and Lee Webb.

Individual Alumni votes :—

J. A. Cragwall, of Kappa chapter; Augustus Ruffner, of Chi chapter; J. Irby Hurt, of Upsilon chapter; J. Q. Moore, of Kappa chapter; S. A. Jackson, of Zeta chapter; W. H. S. Armistead, of Kappa chapter; Lee Webb, Omega chapter; H. B. Buckner, Jr., of Kappa chapter; Leslie Kirkpatrick, of Xi chapter; C. W. Thompson, of Omega chapter; Carrington Mason, Jr., of Phi chapter; Ed. L. Sutton, of Rho chapter; R. T. O'Neal, of Lambda chapter; W. C. Phillips, of Omega chapter; Duncan Martin, Phi chapter.

Committee on Finance: Bros. S. A. Jackson, W. G. M., H. Bruce Buckner, Jr., and Thos. Reagan.

Communications were received and read from Bros. F. H. Terry, Augustus Ruffner and J. L. Ludwig. Bro. F. H. Terry's resignation of the editorship of the *Quarterly* was read and accepted.

Moved and carried that the *Quarterly* be continued to be published as a quarterly magazine.

Moved and carried that a committee be appointed to draft and report an article and sections to be incorporated in the Constitution as Article 12, relating to the publication and management of the *Quarterly*.

Moved and carried that the Supreme Executive Committee be instructed to notify the chapters that on or before January 1st, 1888, they send to the S. E. C., drafts of designs for a coat of arms of the order; also, that the S. E. C. advertize in the *Quarterly* and any other papers or periodicals for such designs; and that the S. E. C., be empowered to offer a reward for the best design, and that they have full power and discretion in the amount of the reward; and that the S. E. C. select the best design in their discretion and that it be adopted as the coat of arms of the order.

Charges were heard and considered by the Conclave, by a delegate from Lambda chapter, against Thos. Shields Vaiden, who was initiated into the mysteries of Kappa Sigma and received its benefits at Lambda chapter. Whereupon it was considered and determined and is hereby ordered by the W. G. M. on behalf of the Grand Conclave assembled before him within the "Twelfth Gate," that the said Thomas Shields Viaden, of LaGrange, Tenn., be expelled from the order, he having by various and voluntary acts proven himself unworthy the confidence and fellowship of the order and to wear its badge and enjoy its privileges and benefits. And that Lambda chapter is to use its best efforts to inform the said Thos. Shields Vaiden of his expulsion from the order, and to administer to him the same obligation necessary to one resigning from the order.

Like action was taken in regard to Samuel Pinkney Weather, of Abingdon, Va., with similar recommendations to his chapter for their action.

The Committee on Constitution reported the following article and sections, which were adopted by the Conclave and ordered by the W. G. M., to be spread on the minutes and incorporated in the Constitution as Article 13—Sec. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.

ART. 13.

SEC. 1. The Supreme Executive Committee shall be the

tribunal to which shall be referred all disputes or differences arising between the editor of the *Quarterly* and any member or members of the fraternity.

SEC. 2. The editor or publisher shall arrange chapter letters with reference to the order of the Greek alphabet, and shall have enough Greek type to express the words desired.

SEC. 3. It shall be his duty to read the journals of other fraternities exchanging with us and reply to articles reflecting upon the good name of Kappa Sigma.

SEC. 4. The editor shall be elected for one year beginning with October number of 1887, and ending with July, of 1888, after which he shall be re-appointed or another appointed to succeed him by the S. E. C.

SEC. 5. The W. G. S., shall be associate editor of the *Quarterly* and shall have equal power and authority with the editor in chief, having all expenses arising out of time paid out of the funds of the *Quarterly*.

Moved and carried to elect the editor in chief of the *Quarterly*. Bro. Ed. L. Sutton, No. 269 Luckie St., Atlanta Ga., was elected editor in chief of the Kappa Sigma *Quarterly*.

Moved and carried that the price of the *Quarterly* be fixed at two dollars per annum.—Members of the Kappa Sigma fraternity to have a rebate of fifty cents on this price.

The welcome address having been postponed till Bro. W. G. McAdoo, of Chattanooga, might arrive to deliver the response, and he not arriving, the welcome address was delivered by Bro. W. H. S. Armistead, of South Pittsburg, Tenn.

The address was an eloquent and appropriate production and was feelingly delivered in the orator's happiest style, and received frequent and hearty applause from attentive and appreciative listeners. At the close of the welcome address, the W. G. M. called upon Bro. Duncan Martin, of Clarksville, Tenn., to take the place of Bro. McAdoo.

Of this modesty forbids any comment, but it is to be hoped that those who were present looked leniently on all faults, and will consider the circumstances of the case and occasion.

Bros. Ed. L. Sutton, S. F. Hurt and Gordon Hicks were appointed on a committee to edit and publish a new and full addition, complete up to its date, of the constitution and catalogue of the fraternity—to be gotten out by the next Conclave.

The time for election of officers for the ensuing term of two years having arrived, the following Brothers were elected to fill the posts to which they are accredited:—

W. G. M., V. W. Harrison (Zeta), Petersburg, Va.—W. G. P., J. Irby Hurt (Upsilon), Abingdon, Va.—W. G. M. C., H. Bruce Buckner (Kappa), Nashville, Tenn.—W. G. T., Oscar K. Andrews (Epsilon), Jackson, Miss.—W. G. S., Duncan Martin (Phi), Clarksville, Tenn.—Historian, J. Newton Bogart (Iota), of Sweetwater, Tenn. Poet, J. M. Ayer (Psi), Freedom, Maine. Orator, Henry Craft, Jr., (Phi), Memphis, Tenn.

Moved and carried that the Conclave hold its next session in Louisville, Ky.

Moved and carried that the time of meeting of the next Conclave be fixed by the S. E. C., sometime between the 1st and 10th of Nov., 1888.

Moved and carried that the S. E. C., be instructed to request jewelers to make bids or estimates on jewelry within the next 30 days succeeding the adjournment of the Conclave, and that the selection of a jeweler for order be left to the discretion of the S. E. C.

The following telegram, in compliance with a motion to that effect was sent:

TO HON. JEFFERSON DAVIS,

Beauvoir, Mississippi.

The 7th Biennial Grand Conclave of the Kappa Sigma fraternity, sends fraternal regards to President Davis and

congratulates him on reaching his 79th year, and hopes many more years may be added to a noble life.

Signed

E. T. HOLLINS, CH'MAN,	}	COMMITTEE.
S. A. JACKSON, W. G. M.,		
DUNCAN MARTIN, W. G. S.		

A motion was made to change the order of business, and being fully considered by the Conclave, was carried. And the changes included make the order of business read as follows :

- 1st. Calling house to order.
- 2nd. Roll call.
- 3rd. Prayer.
- 4th. Minutes of last meeting read.
- 5th. Initiation.
- 6th. Proposals for membership.
- 7th. Treasurer's report.
- 8th. Grand Procurator's report and report of committees.
- 9th. New business.
- 10th. Appointment of committees.
- 11th. General business—elections.
- 12th. Reading, acrostic and prayer, (if the G. M. shall so direct), etc.

Moved and carried that the S. E. C. be instructed in convenient sized volumes, beginning with Vol. 1 No. 1, and that not less than 6 copies of this series of bound volumes of the *Quarterly* be kept by them for historical reference.

Moved and carried that any measures which may suggest itself, or be suggested to them, when formulated in writing and sent to all the chapters for their acceptance or rejection, that if two-thirds of the chapters approve and accept the said measure or measures, the same shall have full force and effect the same as if they were laws passed by the Grand Conclave assembled in session within the "Twelfth Gate," but such measures shall last only till the next Grand Conclave, when they may be reinact-

ed by the Grand Conclave.—But should they not be so expressly re-enacted or repealed, they shall be considered as not having any existence. All acts done under them as laws shall be legal and binding.

This being Bro. Stephen A. Jackson's last term as W. G. M., he refusing to serve any longer in that capacity, preferring "to follow where others lead," in consideration of Bro. Jackson's great service to Kappa Sigma; for many years, and as a slight token of the esteem and love in which he is held by his Kappa Sigma brothers, the 7th Biennial Grand Conclave of Kappa Sigma presented to him a beautiful gold headed walking cane. It was presented to him by Bro. Duncan Martin, of Phi chapter, Clarksville, Tenn. In his presentation speech, Bro. Martin, among other things, made this wish which was but an echo of the sentiments of every true and zealous Kappa Sigma: "Accept this staff and may you lean upon it as Kappa Sigma has in the past leaned upon you, and may you find it as true, strong and efficient a support as Kappa Sigma has ever found you."

There being no more business before the Conclave, and the hour having arrived to repair to Newman & Houston's restaurant for a sumptuous repast, the Conclave adjourned to meet in Louisville, Ky., on any two days selected by the S. E. C., between the 1st and 10th of November, 1888.

S. A. JACKSON, W. G. M.
DUNCAN MARTIN, W. G. S.

NOTE—

The banquet was a glorious success—Eight courses served in the most elegant style of the well known caterers, Newman & Houston.

Champaigne and claret cup flowed in profusion, yet not a single knight of the "Star and Crescent" was too "weary for locomotion."

The best of gentlemanly deportment prevailed and the

following toasts were responded to in short, pointed, cleancut speeches by the gentlemen whose names appear opposite to them :—

“Woman,” Carrington Mason ; “Our Absent,” Brother E. T. Hollins ; “The future of Kappa Sigma,” R. T. O’Neal ; “The past of Kappa Sigma,” S. A. Jackson ; “Our *Quarterly*,” Thos. Reagan ; “Fraternalities—their objects and uses,” Duncan Martin.

REMARKS—

On the whole, though not as large a Conclave in point of numbers as we usually have, and though several chapters were unrepresented, the Conclave was a great success, and will, we think, redound to the benefit of Kappa Sigma. It was a Conclave of workers, who, though they enjoyed the merrymaking and entered into it with a gusto, still they had come to work for Kappa Sigma and they fulfilled the object of their mission.

*Address of Welcome Delivered at the Seventh American
Conclave of Kappa Sigma.*

NASHVILLE, TENN., June 27, '87.

(By W. S. H. Armistead, of Kappa.)

BRO. W. G. M. AND BRO. K. S's. :—

Under commission of the Vanderbilt chapter of our great Kappa Sigma brotherhood, it is my pleasing duty on this occasion to extend most cordial welcome to you, its honored representatives, in Bi-ennial Conclave assembled. Brethren, you are delegates from Bands of Brothers,—some in the land of the Barbarian, others in the land of the Greek; and we are come together, as factions of a unit, to provide for the demands of the present, and to prepare for the exigences wrapped up in the future; to devise, in wisdom, for the further extension of the influence, the weal and the power of Kappa Sigma, as a factor potential for good at all the great seats of educated thought throughout the land. We have locked the shields of our manhoods protection—nobility, purity and courage, rivited with brotherly love, and to-day present a front, stronger and grander, than ever before, to the robbers of Cossa, and our Grecian enemies—as past victories over our foes the Greeks, in battles of the “Spike” will testify, and, under the inspiration of a fellowship founded upon oneness in aim, we are, to-day surrounded by conditions most auspicious of still higher achievements in fraternity work. The past is marked by eventful eras in Kappa Sigma history, times were when our spirits almost quailed at the sight of the Alps of difficulties to surmount and pass, but, with a will *to dare* and *to do*—under leaders *wise* and *true*, victory was ours, and at this date in the life of our noble order, we stand in the midst of advanced prosperity, and face a future radiant with assurances of enlarged fullness.

Brothers, gaze out on the heavens, and view, with a well earned pride and pleasure, the brightest, steadiest, diadem in the Grecian firmament—the twinkling star and effulgent crescent! But brothers, this is not the time, nor is it my privilege, to speak more of our beloved fraternity. My task is to grasp you, each, right royally by the hand with a hearty Kappa Sigma “grip,” and bid you thrice welcome to the hearts and homes of the Vanderbilt brotherhood.

That this, your first visit to Nashville, may be a notable era in the life of each and all of you, we open wide the gates of our beautiful city and bid you enter, and partake of its generous hospitality. And, we would remind you, that this your presence in our midst, will receive the winning smiles of as fair women as ever won the heart, or wore the badge of a Kappa Sigma.

A Card of Acceptance.

PETERSBURG, VA. *July 6th, 1887.*

DEAR BRO. TERRY:—

If I am not asking too much, I would like for you to put the following in the next issue of the *Quarterly*:

Having just received a communication from our worthy Grand Procurator, Bro. J. I. Hurt, informing me of my election to the position of Worthy Grand Master, I must try and express my thanks to the order, for conferring upon me the highest honor at their command. While I am always willing and ready to do what I can, to advance the Kappa Sigma fraternity, yet this high honor belongs to many others, who have been longer in the Greek World, and have done more to further its interest, than has been my pleasure.—Yet I accept the honor conferred and ask the aid of the order in the performance of my duties, especially of Bro. Stephen Alonzo Jackson, who *has filled the position long and filled it well.*

Any communications to me will please be addressed—
No. 11 Market st., Petersburg, Va., *until Sept. 10th*, after
then in care of St. Luke's Hospital, Richmond, Va., where
I will be until further notice is given.

Yours in Kappa Sigma,
VIRGINIUS W. HARRISON.

Separation.

[BY ELLEN BURROUGHS.]

Along the Eastern shore the low waves creep,
Making a ceaseless music on the sand,—
A song that gulls and curlews understand,
The lullaby that sings the day to sleep.
A thousand miles afar, the grim pines keep
Unending watch upon a shoreless land,
Yet through their tops, swept by some wizard hand,
The sound of surf comes singing up the steep.

Sweet, thou canst hear the tidal litany ;
I, mid the pines land-wearied, may but dream
Of the far shore ; but though the distance seem
Between us fixed, impassable, to me
Cometh thy soul's voice, chanting love's old theme,
And mine doth answer, as the pines the sea.

—*Scribner's Magazine.*

Omicron Personal, "Notes," &c.

MARION, VA., June, 1887.

DEAR BRO :—

The commencement exercises of Emory and Henry college occupied four days, and it was my privilege to be present from first to last. During that time I was in the midst of a band of Kappa Sigmas, which surpassed—number and quality—any collection of fraternity men I ever saw together. Omicron chapter was established in 1872, and since then has given to the order something near one hundred men. These are now settled in different places, but I rejoice to state that a large portion find their homes on Virginia soil, and that the South Western hills of the Old Dominion are no less rich in Kappa Sigmas from Emory and elsewhere, than they are said to be in manganese and iron ore; and, to carry the figure a little further, when you strike a K. S. vein, you "strike it rich" and "strike it solid." But to return from this digression. Omicron has long been a strong-hold. This year has witnessed no change. I will here insert the chapter roll:—

Wm. Gillespie, Va., is too well known to require special comment, having been mentioned in the *Quarterly* before. Cloyd Byars, Va., has not been with us long, but his superior cannot well be found in any fraternity. For those who know him, no encomium is necessary. Chas. Richmond deserves prominent mention, but nothing I could say would add to his merited reputation. J. D. Johnston is one of those boys who enjoys universal popularity. The S. A. E's., our energetic rivals, consider it a great victory to get a man whom another fraternity has solicited. Johnston was repeatedly invited by S. A. E., but *we got there* (excuse expression). This, however is so frequent an occurrence that we seldom think to mention such victories. Will F. Smith has ever been and will ever be

an honor to Kappa Sigma. Is it possible for one boy to *love* another in every sense? If so, Will Smith is loved by many young men, and the writer is amongst them.

Thos. S. Hamilton is a peer of the others. He is our delegate to the Convention, and Omicron is fortunate to secure such a representative. Horace Buchanan is a witty, lively, intelligent, high-toned boy, and a *Buck* in every good sense. Frank and Oscar Tomlinson, Tenn., are now double brothers. We honor and esteem them and feel proud to introduce such men to the fraternity generally, as part of the year's work. All honor to Omicron chapter and her initiates of '87.

From some remarks made in the last two or three issues of the *S. A. E. Record*, one would think that the "Lion" was loose at Emory and Henry. I approach this subject with care, and call my readers to witness that I shall speak mildly and in all kindness. Justice, however demands a few remarks. In two of the chapter letters (Feb. and March) the correspondent spoke exultantly in regard to the honors won by S. A. E.'s. We have no objection to this and but for one reason would not mention it at all. That reason is, that we want our own men to see and hear both sides. The following brief statements will serve my purpose. During the last four years Kappa Sigma has taken four debator's medals, two writer's medals, three improvement medals, one "Robertson Prize," one mathematical medal and one declaimer's medal, also, her men have been twice honored with the place of "Valedictorian," and three of her members have filled the office of "Junior Orator." She has, also, had two "Junior Presidents" and seven Presidents in the Society Halls. Ten Kappa Sigmas have held places on the public debates, regardless of what is known as "Fish Debate." I find it would carry me too far to insert all the honors won by our men. I will now add the honors of S. A. E. with equal care. She has taken during the past four years, two writer's medals, two improvement medals, two declaimer's medals, one "Math." medal, and one first honor.

Also, two "Valedictories" and one "Junior Oration," she has had six speakers at the Public Debates, one "Junior President" and three Presidents in the Society Halls. Then to sum up—Kappa Sigma medalists from '83 to '87, number twelve.—S. A. E. medalists, (including first honor), number eight. Kappa Sigma society honors, number twenty-four. S. A. E. society honors, number thirteen. This is a fair, reasonable and accurate statement. If there is any mistake it is against K. S., and in favor of S. A. E. The members of the editorial staff have not been noticed, but K. S. would come in for her usual share if I could take time and space to mention the matter further. If any one should reply that K. S. has had longer existence at Emory than S. A. E., let me beg them to remember that we have only counted with that fraternity during the years of its activity at this college.

If it be said that K. S. had an advantage by having good men at the start, I would only reply that she continues to have them. S. A. E. usually equalled K. S. in number, but quality is the element which counts. But I give way to my feelings. I have no unkind feeling for the Sigs., but have a warm one for Kappas.

In the April number of the *Record*, there was a misstatement, but the correspondent himself, of his own accord, said to me that he would rather correct it through his own columns than have it denied in the *Quarterly*. He claims that it was wholly unintentional and due to misinformation. Such mistakes cannot be avoided, but I think they should be corrected when discovered.

Miss Nellie Thomas has returned to Marion recently. She spent the winter and spring in Memphis, Tenn. Miss Nellie is a friend of the order and meets at our hands a most hearty welcome. May all K. S.'s ever conduct themselves in such a manner as to merit and command the continued approbation of such accomplished young ladies as the many in our town among the hills, who avow their allegiance to *Kappa Sigma*, if not to Kappa Sigmas.

I would like very much to give the names of all the old

K. S.'s whom I met at Emory Commencement, but various things prevent. Suffice it to say that the number reached something like fifty and the quality was as usual.

Bro. Wm. Gillespie took the last debator's medal and the medal in "Math." His "Junior oration" was a grand success. Loud applause frequently interrupted, but never confused or disturbed him, and he clearly demonstrated that "Education is the true companion of Labor."

If any of our brothers from any part of the world ever chance to visit Marion, they will find plenty of Kappa Sigmas, and our doors are always open.

Fraternally,

J. L. K.

On An Old Road.

[BY CHARLES EDWIN MARKHAM.]

A host of poppies, a flight of swallows ;
A flurry of rain, and a wind that follows
Shepherds the leaves in the sheltered hollows,
For the forest is shaken and thinned.

Over my head are the firs for rafter ;
The crows blow south, and my heart goes after ;
I kiss my hands to the world with laughter—
Is it Aidenn or mystical Ind ?

Oh, the whirl of the fields in the windy weather !
How the barley breaks and blows together !
Oh, glad is the free bird afloat on the heather—
Oh, the whole world is glad of the wind !

Reply to "Itemizer."

(By a member of the Supreme Ex. Com.)

An article clipped from the "University Herald," was sent us a few days ago in which the writer says things he ought not to say, and which no fair minded man would say. Vindictiveness, occasioned doubtless by *sore headness* has caused the writer to show his *animus* against fraternities in general, and Kappa Sigmas in particular, because no other Greek Letter fraternity exists at Ada.

We would pay no attention to what he says but for the good of Greek fraternities in general, and such of the students of that institution as are actuated by fairness and good sense.

In the first place—We received a little over a year ago, an application from some ten or twelve of the best students of the Ohio Normal University for a branch of Kappa Sigma. Among other letters recommending the University as a suitable place for a chapter, and the "excellent" character of the applicants, was one from President Lehr, which is preserved in our archives and determined us in granting permission for Sigma chapter.

We were slow to go there, but when we did go, we went like men, and we propose standing by all of our members who have conducted themselves in a manner worthy of the Star and Crescent.

In about ten days after Sigma started, when she had held but two meetings, and before anything could be learned by the great body of the students except that "a secret fraternity has been started"; some of them realized this, and that they had been left out, when they raised their hands in holy horror. Because Sigma (Sigma) chapter did not throw open her doors and welcome every blockhead, this writer would condemn her. For no better reason than that our men were members of "a Greek fra-

ternity"—and because they were "the best men in the school and likely to deserve honors that would go to the credit of a fraternity," a lawless mob of students as we stated demanded of our members as they came quietly from their meeting that they should disband. They then undertake to make laws to govern freemen!

It is the case that men in Kappa Sigma are selected, very much as we believe they are in any of the better secret fraternities, because of their superior qualities of mind and heart, because they are above the average man—in that they are gentlemen.

Is it not the most material thing in the world that men so selected and grouped together, no matter whether as Delta Kappa Epsilons, as Alpha Tau Omegas, or Kappa Sigmas, would prefer their own congenial company to that of the common herd? Many a good man has ruined his chances to get into a good fraternity by his own impatience, which shows itself when in a fret as opposition to fraternities—and not that he can urge any good reason for his course. Many of our chapters have regular ministers of the gospel as their chaplains, a chaplain in fact is one of the regular officers in every chapter. Kappa Sigma, from the earliest part of her history has acknowledged God at all her gatherings, and no chapter is a chapter without a copy of the Holy Bible. Yet this "Itemizer," in his article says "we a few weeks ago found it plying its infernal work."

He goes farther and says "The principals of this organization as shown by their *Quarterly*, and manifested by their actions, are so diametrically opposed to all sense of justice and right, that the institution and societies cannot with any consistency tolerate its existence." The article and *Quarterly* to which "Itemizer" alludes, was "Sigma Chapter Letter, Ohio Normal University, Ada, Ohio," and which appeared in July No. 1886.

Any disinterested or fair minded party, who will care to refer to the *Quarterly* in question, and then compare it with the barefaced statements of "Itemizer," will see at

once that he has entrapped himself both in injustice and falsehood. We are sure he is not a "seafaring man," but that this article may reach him a copy will be sent the "University Herald," and he can get any kind of justice or satisfaction he wants, and the name of the writer by calling at the *Quarterly* office. In the mean time, we advise him to study the meaning of "justice" and that kind of justice that does not depend upon a lawless mob to back him.

The Last Furrow.

[BY CHARLES EDWIN MARKHAM.]

The Spirit of Earth, with glad restoring hands,
'Mid ruin moves, in glimmering chasm gropes,
And mosses mantle and the bright flower opes;
But Death the Ploughman wanders in all lands,
And to the last of Earth his furrow stands.
The grave is never hidden; fearful hopes
Follow the dead upon the fading slopes,
And there wild memories meet upon the sands.

When willows fling their banners to the plain,
When rumor of winds and sound of sudden showers
Disturb the dream of winter—all in vain
The grasses hurry to the graves, the flowers
Toss their wild torches on their windy towers;
Yet are the bleak graves lonely in the rain.

Delta Personals.

We are indebted to Bro. F. C. vonRosenberg, (Delta) for the annexed personals:—

Brother A. F. Weerdel is a clerk in Markle Bros. Bank, Hazleton, Pa.

Bro. J. H. Albright is at present in the buggy manufacturing business at Hope, Ind., but intends to go to Indianapolis at an early date and engage in the study of law.

Bro. C. E. Wootten is a speculator at Laurel, Del.

Bro. W. W. Reed is studying law in the office of the Hon. Jno. C. Brady, Mayor of Erie, and is, also, his accountant and book keeper. Bro. R's address is 33 E. 10th St., Erie, Pa.

Bro. C. B. Hayes is in the real estate business with his father at 709 State St., Erie, Pa.

Bro. David J. Davis is at present in the dry goods and grocery business with his father, in Knightville, Ind.

Bro. James F. McIndoe of Lonaconing, Md., received an appointment to the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, N. Y., and reported there last month. Bro. Mc. obtained the appointment from the 6th district of Md., by competitive examination at Hagerstown, on May 3rd. There were twenty-two competitors, but Kappa Sigma came out ahead by eleven points. Hurrah for Delta and Kappa Sigma!

Brother A. U. Betts is engaged with his father and uncle in contracting rail road supplies. Business necessitates Bro. B.'s absence from home the greater portion of his time, but a letter addressed at any time to Bettsville, Ohio, will reach him safely.

Bro. C. B. Burke is spending his vacation at his home in Dyersburg, Tenn. He will return to Vanderbilt University in Sept.

Bro. W. S. Albert is book keeper for the Chattanooga Canning Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

Bro. Joe. Wheeler, Jr., is spending the holidays at his home in Wheeler, Ala. In Oct., he will probably attend the University of Virginia.

Bro. W. R. Bell has been attending school at Chester Springs, Pa., but is now spending vacation at his home in Lonaconing, Md. Bro. B. will enter Princeton College next Sept.

Bro. J. H. Covington, Jr., is a clerk in the post-office at Easton, Md., but expects to enter a law office in the fall.

Bro. Chas. S. Marston is studying law in the office of Turner & Crews, Pendleton, Oregon.

Bro. W. M. Cooper of Barren Creek Springs, Md., is engaged in the study of law.

Bro. J. W. Downard of Gainesville, Tex., is roughing-it for a while as a "cow-boy," on his father's ranch. Bro. D. expects to attend school next Sept., at Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Bro. D. P. Rock, of Woodville, Tex., is engaged in the newspaper business and is the proprietor of the *Woodville Eureka*.

Bro. P. R. Mercer is one of the firm of Mercer Bros., dealers in beef, pork, etc., at Ridgway, Pa.

Bro. C. L. Knight, Jr., of Forrest City, Ark., is out prospecting on the Pacific Coast. His present address is Perris, San Diego Co., Cal.

Bro. W. H. Osborne of Wilkesbarre, Pa., has successfully passed the entrance examination to the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, N. Y. Bros. Osborne and McIndoe will enter upon the much dreaded plebe career together. May they find solace in informing the readers of the *Quarterly* from time to time of the vicissitudes of a plebe's life at West Point.

Bro. L. M. Taylor, of Canton, Ill., is asst. C. E. on the B. & M. R. R., in Nebraska.

Bro. G. L. Abell, of Portland, Oregon, is studying mechanical engineering in the shops of the O. C. R. R., Dorchester, Mass.

Bro. F. C. von Rosenberg, is studying law in the office of Enoch Totten, 416-5th St., N. W., Washington, D. C. Bro. von R. will enter the senior class of the Georgetown University School of Law next Oct.

An Interlude.

[BY R. ARMYTAGE.]

Sighing, she spoke, and leaning clasped her knees;—

“Well hast thou sung of living men and dead,

Of fair deeds done, and far lands visited.

Sing now of things more marvellous than these!

Of fruits ungathered upon wondrous trees,

Of songs unsung, of gracious words unsaid,

Of that dim shore where no man's foot may tread,

Of strangest skies, and unbeholden seas!

Full many a golden web our longings spin,

And days are fair, and sleep is over-sweet;

But passing sweet those moments rare and fleet,

When red spring sunlight, tremulous and thin,

Makes quick the pulses with tumultuous beat

For meadows never won, or wandered in.”

Chapter Letters.

ZETA CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF VA., *June 24th, 1887.*

Kappa Sigma Quarterly :—

Having promised to give a resume of the year's work of Zeta, I suppose the best start upon this theme will be to give our roll, which will be in itself an evidence of progress :—R. M. Copenhagen, Va.; C. H. Eberle, Ark.; H. S. Fleisher, Va.; J. B. Gibson, Miss.; V. W. Harrison, Va.; J. S. Hope, Va.; T. H. Humphreys, Ark.; M. A. Jacobs, La.; C. C. McCulloch, Texas, J. A. Rice, Va.; J. R. Spencer, Va.; C. C. Wilson, Fla. Total, 12.

During the past year we have held meetings when practicable, and have enjoyed them to an extent which cannot be described by pen or verbal expression.

Many little things have occurred, which, to the casual looker-on, would have been unnoticed, have added greatly to the enjoyment of the silent pleasure.

Early in the year *our* sisters (Mrs. James Blakey and Miss Virginia Bocoek) assisted by their sister (Miss Evie Bocoek,) and our highly respected friend, tendered to the Kappa Sigmas a nice supper, which was enjoyed *by all present, especially myself*, as I got the prize for eating the fastest and longest. The supper was given at the home of Bro. James Blakey. Bro. Zack Blakey also favored the party with his smiles and *puns*. In short my advise to any brother coming here is to go and see them and that early.

Later in the session it was our pleasure to give a banquet, which was attended by all the club, also, the same brothers, sisters and friends as above mentioned. This is

also, remembered among the bright spots of the year's enjoyments.

Bro. Gibson, by his fluent language and good sense won the debator's medal in the Washington society, we wish him the same success through life in his legal capacity.

Our men, who are applying for degrees, are small in number, and one small in size. They are Bro. Fleisher and myself. All our examinations are over, but as to whether we will pass or not has to be decided by the Faculty to-morrow, so I cannot state our condition at present

Nearly all of our boys have left for home and we, who are left here, realize by parting the strength of our union.

I cannot give as full account of the work as I would have liked, owing to such a short time to recall it. Hope to see in the July issue a report of all chapters in accordance with my request in our last.

Our prospects for another year are very bright, and hope it will always be as pleasant in the future as it has been with us this year.

The following is a list of the fraternities at the University of Va., at present:

(1) Alpha Tau Omega, 13. (2) Beta Theta Pi, 3. (3) Delta Kappa Epsilon, 14. (4) Delta Psi, 5. (5) Kappa Alpha (Southern), 13. (6) Kappa Sigma, 12. (7) Pi Kappa Alpha, 11. (8) Sigma Chi, 10. (9) Phi Alpha Chi, 11, (10) Phi Delta Theta, 17. (11) Phi Theta Alpha (Mystic Seven), 14. (12) Phi Kappa Sigma, 2. (13) Phi Kappa Psi, 14. (14) Chi Phi, 12.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon had a chapter of seventeen, but saw fit to send in their charter.

In concluding my letter I wish the *Quarterly* all the success which is necessary, and to extend the best wishes of Zeta to all true Kappa Sigmas.

Yours in Kappa Sigma,

VIRGINIUS W. HARRISON.

THE KAPPA SIGMA QUARTERLY.
EPSILON CHAPTER.

CENTENARY COLLEGE.

JACKSON, LA., *June 8th, 1887.*

Dear Editor :—

This is the first time I have had the pleasure of reporting the progress and condition of Epsilon. Since our last letter, I am glad to say, we have moved into our new and neatly furnished hall, which was completed at the close of this session. We desire to extend through the *Quarterly*, our sincere thanks to Bro. Hardenburg for his liberality in aiding us in repairing our beautiful hall, and his kindness shall ever remain as the stepping stone to Epsilon's success in the future.

The repairing of this hall has drawn us nearer to the college department, where we can perform our college duties, and, also, keep our hall in good condition. Amidst our great progress along this line, we regret very much that Epsilon has to part with five of her most active members as follows: M. S. Standifer, O. K. Andrews, B. N. Smith, C. K. Lewis. These four graduated, and Thomas Ragan has left not to return. We, who are to remain, intend to work manfully to fill their places next session with men of equal prominence and character. In behalf of our lost members and Epsilon, we are proud to state that they were made the recipients of the honors of the college and our literary society. Bro. Standifer, one of our most prominent members, was valedictorian of his class, and Bro. Andrews received second honor of salutatorian, and Bro. Ragan conducted the exercises of our literary society in a manner that did great credit to himself and also, the society. It indeed seems as if we have lost all, to separate from such members, but the busy world calls them to duty and we can realize that we have only to strive the harder. I am again glad to state that Epsilon was well represented in the oratorical contest for the medal, and their orations were such as were appreciated and praised by the entire audience.

Please send the next issue of the *Quarterly* to the following addresses: O. K. Andrews, Jackson, Miss. C. K. Lewis, M. S. Standifer, Ruston, La. B. N. Smith, G. G. Keller, A. P. Irvine, G. H. Jones, Jackson, La. Thomas Ragan, Knowles, La. J. M. Sims, Simsboro, La. M. H. Wilkinson, Gloster, Miss. Chas. S. E. Babington, Franklinton, La. Bro. R. R. Jones, M. D., has located in Baton Rouge, La., and Bro. E. L. Irvine has been employed in the Charity hospital, Shreveport, La.

The *Quarterly* has my best wishes.

Yours fraternally,

J. M. SIMS,
Correspondent.

UPSILON CHAPTER.

HAMPDEN SIDNEY COLLEGE, VA., June 22, '87.

Dear Editor :

Again it becomes the duty of Upsilon's correspondent to narrate the doings of a happy and prosperous chapter, which during the past year, surrounded herself with a "halo of duty well performed."

Another session is numbered with the past, and our time honored institution has closed her halls of learning upon some of us for a few short months, upon others, we regret to say, forever. Before the close of the session, Upsilon was called upon to mourn the loss by withdrawal from school of two of her most valuable members: Bros. Hurt and Thomas. Bro. Hurt having prosecuted with great vigor during his college course found his eyes giving out and thought it desirable to return home. Bro. Thomas was taken sick, making it impossible for him to remain until the close of the session.

The course of each was characterized by great diligence and unswerving devotion to duty.

By their departure Upsilon sustains an imperable loss, and the college loses two students, who were conscientious in the full and faithful discharge of their duty. But not less missed or mourned is Bro. J. L. Allison, who graduated from the Union Theological Seminary of this place on May the 4th. Three years of intimate companionship had endeared him to us all. We miss his genial mien and cheering conversation. We regret that his affable disposition and pleasing manners are no more with us. But such it must be, since separation is one of the stern realities of life. We meet it bravely, resting in the assurance that the brothers who have gone are true and noble, bound by the ties of a common fraternity; men who will not allow, even for one instant, those tendrils of friendship, which have been entwined around our hearts by association, strengthened by the bonds of a noble brotherhood to relax their hold or unbind themselves.

We are pleased to note the return of Bro. J. M. Hart, a Kappa Sigma.

He was one of Upsilon's first members, and from the time he was initiated into the mystic bonds, he has had the good of our beloved order at heart. For the past year he has been teaching in Lee Co., meeting with great success.

We are glad to announce to our sister chapters that Upsilon, coming to the front as usual, bore away her share of commencement honors. Bro. J. Martin Luther was awarded the Sophomore Debator's Medal from the Philanthropic society, and was also, elected Business Manager of the H. S. Magazine for the coming session. Bro. Rhea was marshall from the Union, and Bro. McGavock from the Philanthropic society.

The writer delivered an oration on the night of the 15, of June, at the Philanthropic celebration.

With a kind greeting from Upsilon for all within the Twelfth Gate, I am,

Yours in Kappa Sigma,

B. R. LOGIE.

EMORY & HENRY COLLEGE, VA., *June 12, '87.*

The old members of Omicron are H. C. Richmond, Scott Co., Va.; Wm. L. Smith, Smyth Co., Va., and Wm. M. Gillespie, Tazewell Co., Va. Bro. Harmon, who was with us at the beginning of the session, left in January to begin the study of medicine. During the year we have initiated Jim Dave Johnston, son of Hon. J. D. Johnston, Giles Co., Va., Tom Stone Hamilton, son of a prominent merchant of Abingdon, Va., J. Cloyd Byars, son of a wealthy farmer, Washington Co., Va., Horace G. Buchanan, son of Hon. Jno. L. Buchanan, State Supt. of schools, Abingdon, Va., and Frank B. and Oscar R. Tomlinson, sons of the proprietor of Tate Springs, Tenn. It is useless to say that these young men are the very pick of the college. This is said when it is said that they are Kappa Sigmas.

And when we say there were Kappa Sigmas in college, we say the star and crescent was prominent in college and society honors.

At their recent public debate, the Hermesian Society called on Bro. Hamilton and are justly proud of his effort. Bros. Smith and Buchanan did themselves and their fraternity credit in the declaimer's contest in the Calliopean society, as did Bros. Johnston and Byars in the Hermesian society.

The Calliopean society awarded a twenty-five dollar debator's medal to a Kappa Sigma, whose effort was in the opinion of the audience, though not of the committee, inferior to Bro. Richmond's. Bro. Hamilton distinguished himself in a similar contest in the Hermesian society, and in the oratorical contest, better known as the "Robertson Contest," he received two votes out of a committee of five, against a man of seven years experience in public speaking.

Aspirants for that medal had better watch Bros. Hamilton and Richmond next year. The "Math." medal was

awarded to a Kappa Sigma, and the Junior orator at the final celebration of the Calliopean society had passed the Twelfth Gate.

There is no better evidence of the high esteem in which Omicron is held than the support given it by the young ladies of the neighborhood. In Abingdon, Glade Spring, Marion and surrounding country, nearly all unhesitatingly claim to be Kappa Sigmas. Even one of the sisters of a prominent S. A. E., wears a Kappa Sigma badge, and the other is out spoken in her devotion to the order. We are worthy of this esteem, for women seldom make mistakes in such things.

During commencement it was said that you couldn't throw a rock without hitting a Kappa Sigma. We don't want to consume so much of your valuable space with names, so we omit. But they were here, such men as anyone might well feel proud to call brothers. Young men taking high stands as lawyers, doctors, teachers, editors, and farmers made the campus ring with "*Semper Constan.*"

A quorum will be back next year, ready for work. We have an eye on a few young men who are to enter college next year, and we intend them to enter wearing the Star and Crescent.

OMICRON.

MU CHAPTER.

INDIANA UNIVERSITY,

BLOOMINGTON, IND., June 2, 1887.

The members of Mu chapter were initiated on May 14, 1887, by Wm. T. Thayer, of Chi chapter, at Purdue University, La Fayette, Ind.

The number of students at Indiana University for the year '86-'87 is 367, an increase over '85-'86 of 87 students,

and the probabilities are that the increase in the year '87-'88 will be 100.

We have eight fraternities here at present:—the Beta Theta Pi—18; Phi Delta Theta—22; Sigma Chi—25; Phi Kappa Psi—18; Phi Gamma Delta—20; Kappa Alpha Theta—29; Kappa Kappa Gamma—18, and "Rumor" says the Delta Tau Delta's will soon come out with a membership of six.

Mu chapter has now been organized about three weeks. After looking carefully over the students we selected a member of Class '87 and after one week's "spiking" obtained his consent to join us at the Fall Term.

We were well received by the fraternities here, and believe we are making a good start.

We will all be back on the field early next fall and hope by diligent work to enroll at least 4 new members to Mu chapter.

WILL H. BLISS, G. S.

TAU CHAPTER.

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS,

AUSTIN, June 16, '87

Dear Editor :

The 4th Annual Commencement has drawn to a close, and the students have scattered over different parts of the State, some to become faithful and devout disciples of Blackstone, others to tread varied paths to the goal of their ambition.

This has been a prosperous year for the University and her fame is fast becoming national, with a proportional rapidity has the Greek world risen.

Two fraternities: Phi Gamma Delta and Kappa Alpha have returned their charters, but this is only a ripple against the advance which has been going on, and though

both good fraternities, their loss will not materially affect the progress of fraternities here.

Sigma Nu entered this year and is doing well, and S. A. E. has arisen from a comatose position to one of the largest.

Kappa Sigma is still here with all her fervent zeal and untarnished glory. Fortune has not smiled on us in quantity but the quality is and has always been of the highest.

Tau closes the session with 7 men.

Our Georgetown sister has been "muchly" troubled by the faculty of that institution, and I fear their nonsensical and overbearing opinions may yet conquer.

Bro. T. D. Rowell (Iota), was alumni orator at the commencement of the Agricultural and Mechanical college of Texas.

Though rather anti-premature, allow me personally and in behalf of Tau, to congratulate our gallant editor on his marriage. May that voyage now so happily begun, end only in the happiness in which it begun.

Yours fraternally,

EDWARD BEE.

(Private.)

AUSTIN, June 16, '87.

Dear Terry:—

I was very much worried because you published my "private letter" to you, as it had not the least of polish, and bore the quidessence of conceit.

Send the *Quarterly* as follows, till further notice:

Edward Bee, San Antonia, Tex. J. R. Asten, Bryan, Tex., J. L. Holbert, Corsicand, Texas, M. M. Smith, Bluff Springs, Tavis Co., Texas, E. R. Huck, Austin, Texas, Rhodes Fisher, Austin, Texas, F. B. Stoneham, Stoneham, Gaines Co., Texas.

How are you and everything in fraternity matters?

Let me hear from you. I have no news.

EDWARD BEE.

PHI CHAPTER.

SO. WEST PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY,
CLARKSVILLE, TENN., *June 15, 1887.*

F. H. TERRY—

Editor Quarterly :—

For the first time in my career as a member of Kappa Sigma, it becomes my duty to write to our beloved *Quarterly*, and I shall endeavor to give the whereabouts of our members, the news from Phi chapter, and to publish to our brotherhood the success which this chapter has attained in the course of the, now just ended, session of the University.

As this subject will be of more interest to you and to the other chapters, I will begin with the success with which we have met in our journey through the University session of '86-'87.

When our regular school term began, Phi was represented by only three active members: E. P. Hollins, F. E. Snowden, W. R. Craig. In about one week, Bros. Gustave A. Henry, of this city, and J. W. Keesee, of Arkansas, were initiated, next came your present correspondent, and soon afterwards L. W. Curtis, of Memphis, Tenn., and W. B. McCampbell, of Corpus Christi, Texas, a brother of Bro. Edwin Altee McCampbell, who joined us at Washington and Lee University. So that you see we now number eight active members, and I may add we are as zealous as proper conservatism will permit.

Besides the eight active members, we have twelve alumni members in business in the city.

They are young men of fine social standing—none better,—business tact, "push," energy, fully alive to their own interests, and those of our growing city, and especially those of Kappa Sigma.

In the estimation of the University faculty, Phi chapter's men are ranked by none others, and are looked upon as fine scholars and worthy of "the grand old name of gentlemen."

In the eyes of the barbarian element of University affairs we occupy a high position.

Taking everything into consideration, we think we have reason to be elated over our success, and can say that we think that hereafter the success of Kappa Sigma in S. W. P. University is assured, as we are now on a firm basis.

As to what we have done this year, Bro. E. T. Hollins graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

Bro. H. was also valedictorian of his literary society, and when his address was concluded he was presented with a handsome gold-headed cane, as a token of respect and love, in the name of "his friends," who are legion.

We say it with all pride that Bro. H. was generally considered the foremost student of the University this year, and as I heard it expressed the other day, "he (Bro. H.) would be an honor, an ornament to any fraternity."

Your correspondent, also, graduated with the degree of Master of Arts.

Bro. Bruce Buckner, of Nashville, attended a reception at the residence of Mrs. Dunlop, one of the foremost ladies of our city, and mother of two stanch K. S.'s—Bros. J. P. and H. Mat. Dunlop. This reception was the most elegant affair it has ever been our good fortune to attend.

Bro. Duncan Martin, an old member of Phi,—another of "A Type,"—is visiting your correspondent. Bro. M. has recently finished the course in the Lebanon Law School with the degree of Bachelor of Law. He may locate here to practice law, which we all are very anxious he should do; but wherever he may go, he will have the best wishes of Phi, and of K. S., wherever he is known.

Send the *Quarterly* to members whose addresses appear in the appended *directory of Phi chapter*.

Bro. C. G. Smith, Jr., who has been in business here for two years past, leaves for Memphis, Tenn., next Tuesday morning, where he will settle in business. We are sorry to lose Bro. S., yet it must be so we suppose. May success attend his every effort. With best love from Phi to

all the chapters, the *Quarterly* and K. S.'s generally, I am

Yours fraternally,

FONTAINE D. DANIEL.

[PHI CHAPTER DIRECTORY.]

C. W. Beaumont,	Clarksville, Tenn.
E. W. Beach,	" "
J. P. Dunlop,	" "
H. Mat. Dunlop,	" "
R. Emmet Atkins,	" "
R. W. Glenn,	" "
J. L. Glenn,	" "
Morris K. Clark,	" "
Alf. Luckett,	" "
R. M. Henry,	" "
W. M. Drane,	" "
C. G. Smith.	" "
W. B. McCampbell,	Corpus Christi, Texas.
L. W. Curtis,	Holly Springs, Miss.
W. R. Craig,	Yazoo City, Miss.
E. P. Hollins, Nashville, Tenn.	(in care of Hollins Sons
& Co., Public Square.)	
J. W. Keesee,	Helena, Ark.
F. E. Snowden, Memphis, Tenn.	(in care of Friedman
Bros.)	
F. D. Daniel.	Clarksville, Tenn.
G. A. Henry,	" "
Duncan Martin,	" "

Notice change in *address* of all *subscribers*, and forward *Quarterly* accordingly.

(NOTE BY BRO. MARTIN.)

Bro. Daniel is a very modest man and it devolves upon me to give him due credit for his work.

He graduated this year with the degree of Master of Arts, had the honor of being First Orator of his society, and made a splendid speech on the subject "Beauty—

Man's Inspiration." Bro. D.'s speech was decidedly the most popular, receiving round after round of applause from a large audience, and *literally* a cart load of flowers in all sorts of designs, from a *bonloniere* to a large K. S. "Star and Crescent." He received most of the applause and really all the flowers, but fortunately or unfortunately, and by some incomprehensible scale of grading, the judges awarded the medal to one of his opponents.

Phi chapter is very well satisfied with the result.

For though we would have been very much rejoiced for our brother to have won the medal, still the result is satisfactory entirely, as the successful contestant, Mr. J. N. Lyle (non-frat.), of La., was our second choice for success.

With love to all Kappa Sigmas,

I am as ever,

DUNCAN MARTIN.

GAMMA CHAPTER.

LA. STATE UNIVERSITY, *June 17, 1887.*

MR. EDITOR :

Three months have rapidly rolled by, and again it is devolved upon me to fill the little space reserved in the *Quarterly* for Gamma; this duty is ever pleasant to me, but more so still, when I have for the Kappa Sigma world such good news of Gamma.

She can safely be said, not only to be in a flourishing condition, but, also, to have already made her mark among her Grecian rivals at this school. Although, we have been silent, yet, we have not been idle, and the result of our work is onward progress. We now see a gleam of light in our dark future, which penetrates the many adversities leading there, and we hope, that what is now but a mear gleam, will prove to be an approaching bril-

liant light, which will soon reflect from our little band, rays of success and honor.

Since our last letter, we have added three names to our roll, and to our chapter, three forward, true and stanch Kappa Sigmas, in the persons of Bros. J. J. Reine, S. W. Smith, and O. W. Campbell. It is needless to say that these brothers have proven themselves to be worthy of wearing the "Star and Crescent," for all within the "Twelfth Gate," know that none will pass it, before having proven himself worthy of the name of Kappa Sigma.

We are now ten strong, and this, as I have before stated, will constitute our chapter for this session; not that the fraternity material is completely exhausted, at this school, but simply that we feel ourselves sufficiently numerous to do good work.

Several of us went to Shreveport, La., last month, as members of the Boyd Cadets, military company, from this school, which took part in a Veteran Reunion in that city; and while there, we met Bro. Irvine, of E., who is a medical student of the Shreveport Hospital. With his pleasant smiles and open heart, he soon showed himself to be a brother of whom Epsilon should be proud. We also, had the good fortune of meeting members of Zeta chapter of S. A. E. which is placed at Thatcher's Institute in that city. They all do justice to the reputation which that fraternity enjoys.

Some few weeks since Gamma received a visit from Bro. M. Sam Standifer, one of Epsilon's most worthy alumni. We were all more than delighted to see him, and hope that he will renew his visit at no distant day. We also hope that other Kappa Sigmas will follow Bro. Sam's example. Gamma sends her love to all brothers.

Yours fraternally,

A. J. P.
Correspondent.

Kappa Sigmas at the Altar.

The following card from Bro. Augustus Ruffner, W. G. P., Charleston, W. Va., explains itself.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. VanNatto request your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Miss Blanche, to myself, at their house near Battle Ground, Ind., Wednesday evening, May 18th, 1887, at eight o'clock.

Truly yours,

AUGUSTUS RUFFNER.

St. John's Episcopal church was filled this (Thursday) morning, at 9 o'clock, by a happy, expectant crowd from town and county, to witness the marriage of F. H. Terry, editor of the *dispatch*, to Miss Norma Lee, daughter of Major J. C. Green, all of Wytheville. The church was elaborately and beautifully decorated with the choicest collection of flowers. A large and exquisite floral horse-shoe, instead of the usual marriage bell, was suspended from the ceiling, over the heads of the contracting parties.

Promptly at 9 o'clock, the bridal party entered the church, the lovely and popular bride leaning upon the arm of her brother, Dr. P. B. Green, preceded by the ushers, Messrs. C. H. Sanders, W. E. Thomas, H. W. Green, Will S. Easley, John H. Heuser and Dr. George H. Zimmerman. At the chancel she was met by the groom, accompanied by his best man, Mr. R. E. Bolling. The beautiful marriage service of the Episcopal church was impressively rendered by Rev. M. P. Logan, and F. H. Terry and Norma Lee Green were declared "man and wife." The bride was dressed in a beautiful tan-colored street costume, and wore diamond and pearl ornaments. The organ, under the skillful touch of Prof. Parsons, of

Abingdon, "spake like a thing of life," and rendered the services doubly impressive.

Amid a shower of congratulations, the popular couple left the church, and were driven at once to the residence of the groom, where the bridal party were handsomely entertained.

Many costly and elegant presents, presented by different friends, were found by the bride when she entered her new home.

No more popular couple were ever married in Wytheville, and may their lives, now united, like a silvery cloud float on in brightness, till they fade into Heaven.

—*Wytheville Dispatch.*

Early on Tuesday night last, May 10, 1887, the doors of the Third Presbyterian church were thrown open, and in the presence of a large concourse of friends Mr. Ed. L. Sutton and Miss Fannie Saye, of this city, were pronounced man and wife. Long before the hour arrived the friends of the contracting parties were eagerly watching and waiting to see the happy couple enter. Just as the town clock tolled the hour of eight, Miss Julia Abbey, who presided at the organ, touched the ivory keys, and as the instrument pealed forth the wedding march the bridal party entered. The ushers, Messrs. Charlie Hollingsworth and Will Rice, were followed by Miss Lula Rice and Mr. T. H. Abbey, Miss Jessie Harris and Mr. C. B. Millians, Miss Jessie Saye and Mr. A. T. Peacock, Miss Belle Kuhns and Mr. Claude Keltner, Miss Blanche Erwin and Mr. Ed. C. Cartledge, slowly followed by the bride and groom, who paused in the center of the circle, under a beautiful floral design of the Kappa Sigma badge. After a beautiful ceremony by the pastor, Rev. N. Keff Smith, assisted by Dr. E. H. Barnett and Rev. W. F. Robinson, there marched out of the house of God "two souls with but a single thought; two hearts that beat as one." The friends

then repaired to the residence of the bride, 269 Luckie street, where a sumptuous repast awaited them.

Telegrams of congratulation were received from friends in different States. Time and space forbids us giving the list of presents; suffice it to say that the presents were costly and numerous, and the attendants were composed of handsome men and beautiful ladies; but none on this occasion seemed more handsome and sweeter than the bride and groom.

The WORKING WORLD throws the old shoe in their wake, and in the language of Old Rip, may they live long and prosper.

—*The Working World*, Atlanta, Ga.

Personals From Here And There.

LYNCHBURG, VA., June 3, '87.

Editor Kappa Sigma Quarterly :—

If not intruding on your valuable space, you can insert the following personals in the next issue of the *Quarterly* :

Bro. J. S. Harvey (Nu), is with the Exchange Warehouse, in Danville, Va.

He has been promoted, Sergeant of the Danville Blues. We hope ere long that he will wear the Lieutenant's strap as he did at the V. A. M. C.

Bro. Francis B. Grigg, (Nu) has resigned the position as Asst. P. M., at Hicksford, Va., and is now with his brother in the mercantile business at Jarratts, Va.

Bro. J. S. Musgrove, (Nu), was married last Nov., and is now book-keeper for W. A. Wyrick, the leading merchant at Newsoms, Va.

Bro. G. K. Mason, Upsilon, when last heard of, was in Little Rock, Ark.

Fraternally,
TRAVELLER.

Bro. Chas. H. Hardenberg (Epsilon), attended the National Drill at Washington. He is a member of the San Antonia Rifles, and helped to keep up the reputation of the Rifles as one of the crack military companies of the Lone Star State, which participated in the drill.

The *Quarterly* has just been notified of the death of Bro. W. J. Miller, Delta, of Dyersburg, Tenn., which occurred last Oct. Delta as well as Kappa Sigma, sustains a great loss in him, a noble, upright boy.

Bro. F. C. von Rosenberg, Delta, of 708, 10 st., N. W. Washington, D. C., is studying law under Col. Enoch Totten of that city, and will enter the Georgetown Law School in Oct.

Bro. J. P. Stribling, Rho, is teaching school at Richland, S. C., with success.

Col. John Summers, (O), Abingdon, Va., and W. C. Franklin, Mu, Pamplin city, Va., were elected at the spring election in May, Attornies for the Commonwealth, for their respective counties—Washington and Appomatox.

Bro. G. D. Hicks, Kappa, is at New Market, Ala., following his profession, civil engineering.

Bro. N. L. McCaa, Upsilon, has a fine position in one of the leading banks in Anniston, Ala.

Bro. M. S. Standifer, Epsilon, is attending the Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Business College.

The Purple and Gold (Chi Psi fraternity) refuses under orders of the 46th Convention, to exchange with "any Greek Letter Journals." Who will be the loser by this?

The Md. Military and Naval Academy, Oxford, Md., closed its doors last April, consequently Delta chapter of our order is inactive—for the present, anyway.

Some of the subscribers of the *Quarterly*, judging from the notes and postal cards we receive, complaining "I

have not received my *Quarterly* for this month," etc., some must think we are running all the Star Routes in the country. In this they are mistaken. All we pretend to do is to edit and mail the *Quarterly*, and not to deliver it!

Editorials.

IMPORTANT!

All articles and communications for the Oct. No., of the *Quarterly* should be sent to Ed. L. Sutton, — Luckie St., Atlanta, Ga., or Duncan Martin. Clarksville, Tenn. Please remember this!

AFTER THOUGHTS.

In closing our journalistic career with our grand old order, we recall many occasions when we failed to "toe the mark" chalked by others.—But we feel that we did the best we could under the circumstances, and in this we are satisfied. We wanted and would like to have done more, but we remember that neither man or angel can do more than his best. Our conscience is our monument; the works and results, the *Quarterly's*.

"A CHANGE OF HANDS."

After this issue the *Quarterly* "changes hands," so, of course, there must be a general settlement—with *all parties* having any business relations with the *Quarterly*. This cannot be done effectually until all claims are settled. The largest per cent. of these are made up of subscribers. This must open the eyes of our patrons, subscribers principally, to the great importance of remitting their sub-

scriptions at once! We hope this appeal, our last, is sufficient.

FAREWELL.

By reference to the minutes of the Nashville Conclave, published in this issue of the *Quarterly*, it will be seen that my resignation as editor of this journal was tendered and accepted. The promptings of this course were set forth in my letter to the Conclave through the Supreme Executive Committee, but for the benefit of those Kappa Sigmas who were not present at the sessions of the Conclave, I will briefly, as I did in my letter, repeat them.

For the past ten years, in fact, since my early boy-hood, Fate has not "dealt with" me, in some respects, "gently." "This hand of oppression" was laid on my eyes—man's greatest mainstay. At times, during these many years, I have been able to transact the duties attending a business life, but now is one of the periods when I have to "give up all."

How long this will be, I cannot say. I trust that this explanation of why I sever my connection with the *Quarterly* will carry with it the conviction that I am not prompted by any lack of interest or love for the order, but that I am merely bowing, submitting to the inevitable. It could not be otherwise—I have the feelings of a parent saying farewell to his promising son, just developing into manhood. But it is gratifying to know that "my child," will be nurtured and protected by hands and hearts just as kind. With high hopes that the *Quarterly* will soon reach the end which was intended for it.

Faithfully,

F. H. TERRY.

Bro. J. W. Maxwell, Tau, has very recently been elected Supt. of Schools of Travis county, Texas. This is a plac

of great responsibility, as the city schools of Austin are in the district.

Bros. Astin and Stoneham, Tau, are practicing their professions—law—successfully at their homes—Bryan and Stoneham.

We regret that we are late in issuing this No., but it is unavoidable.—Due, principally, to our indisposition.

WITH LENIENCY AND NOT A CRITIC'S EYE.

We hope our readers will peruse these pages with leniency, and not with a "critic's eye," for reasons stated elsewhere, as the work on this number has been done by an amanuensis and kind friends.

OUR INDEBTEDNESS.

Since the establishment of the *Quarterly* its little bark has had more than one storm to face.—But with the generous, praiseworthy aid of many loyal hands, it has always landed safely in the harbour. We would be deprived of a great pleasure if we were forced to close our official associations with the *Quarterly* without expressing our gratitude and indebtedness for the great encouragement and assistance we have received. To those whom we are especially indebted, are: Edward Bee (Tau), San Antonio, Texas, J. L. Kelly (Omicron), Marion, Va., J. N. Bogart (Lambda), Knoxville, Tenn., Chas. Richardson, (Omicron), Valley View, Virginia, H. A. McNailey (Psi), Orino, Maine, Virginius W. Harrison (Zeta), Petersburg, Virginia, S. A. Jackson (Zeta), Abingdon, Virginia, J. M. Hart (Upsilon) Turkey Cove, Virginia, J. I. Hurt (Upsilon), Abingdon, Virginia.

Many of the above brothers it has never been our pleasure to see or meet, but they are "loved, yet still unknown." In our heart is a boundless supply of love for them

all. Our associations in the future, will, perhaps, not be as close and constant as in the past, but, for ourselves, that shall never cause of our thoughts to be their's any the less.

FROM A MEMBER OF ZETA'S ALUMNI.

NAVY DEPARTMENT,
BUREAU OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY,
PORTSMOUTH, VT. May 7, 1887.

Dear Brother Terry :—

In looking over my memoranda, I see that I have not paid for this year's "*Quarterly*," so enclosed herewith a post-office order for \$1.50. I have been detached from the "*Atlanta*," and have designed, and am now ordered to superintend the construction of a Naval Hospital, to be built on Widow's Island, Penobscot Bay, Maine. I got a bill through the last Congress for \$50,000.00, for this purpose. Work will begin in a few weeks.

The island is in sight of Mt. Desert, so if you get down East this summer, give me a call, and I will take you around in my steam yacht, furnished by Uncle Sam.

I gave a copy of the "*Quarterly*" to Brother J. C. Boyd, Surgeon, U. S. N., who was one of the founders of the order at the U. of Va., and naturally feels a lively interest in its growth. He is one of the brightest men in the medical corps of the navy, and is in the Surgeon-General's office in Washington.

You see I shall be at home for a while, so please send the "*Quarterly*" to Portsmouth till further notice.

Yours fraternally,
A. C. HEFFINGER.

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